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GRAVITY OF GERMAN CRISIS

FINANCIAL AID FOR GERMANY

FRENCH RESERVATIONS.

NEED OF CREDIT RESTORATION

Paris, Yesterday.

The result of the two days' momentous French and German conversations was announced at 11 p.m. to-day in a communique, stating that the French representatives, "realising the gravity of the German crisis, declared that under reserve of certain financial guarantees and measures of political appeasement, they would be ready to discuss later the terms of financial co-operation in an international framework."

The communique adds that the representatives of the two Governments "emphasise the determination to create between them in all possible measure conditions favourable to effective collaboration in political and economic domains and have agreed to associate their efforts so that credit and confidence might be restored in an atmosphere of calm security."—Reuter.

"VERY OPTIMISTIC"

Rugby, Yesterday.

Late to-night the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, returned to London from Paris and proceeded to Downing Street, where he saw the Prime Minister and discussed with him to-day's proceedings in Paris. Mr. Henderson travelled to London in the company of Messrs. Stimson and Mellon, the American State Secretary and Treasurer.

Speaking to the Press just before he left Paris, Mr. Henderson said that he felt very optimistic as to the outcome of the London Conference, which opens to-morrow evening and which he expected would last only a few days. The principal event in Paris to-day was the meeting of International representatives at the Ministry of the Interior, attended by the following delegates present in Paris on their way to London:—Messrs. Mellon, Stimson, and Edge, Mr. Henderson, Lord Tyrrell, Doctors Bruening and Curtius, Signor Grandi and Signor Manzoni, Messrs. Hymans Francqui and Dhestroy, and the Japanese Ambassador in Paris.

A communique subsequently issued stated that the French Premier, M. Laval, who presided and who was accompanied by Messrs. Flandin, Poncet and Berthelot, thanked the delegates for responding to his invitation of a joint conversation on the conditions on which the London Conference would begin.

Crisis Explained.

He explained to them the conversations of the last few days and, in particular, those which had taken place between the French and German Ministers. He recalled the terms of the French suggestion.

The German Chancellor gave a brief outline of the economic and financial crisis in Germany and indicated certain financial remedies.

Mr. Stimson, Mr. Henderson, Signor Grandi, Messrs. Hymans and the Japanese Ambassador also spoke and all gave their reassurances that their Governments would examine with the greatest care and sympathy any steps which could be taken to help Germany, whose difficulties were of concern to the whole of European economy.

All expressed satisfaction at the Franco-German conversations. There was common agreement that the London Conference would be strictly limited to the question of economy and the financial crisis of Germany.

M. Laval expressed the hope that the conversations which would take place between the French and German Ministers later would facilitate the task of the London Conference.

Meeting in Britain.

To-morrow morning the British Cabinet will hold a special meeting to examine the situation prior to the assembly of to-morrow night's opening session of the conference. This will probably be held in the Prime Minister's room in the House of Commons. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald will preside. The British Cabinet Ministers will include the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden.—British Wireless Service.

Cheerful Impression.

Washington, Yesterday.

The optimistic opinion that the London Conference will succeed in salving Germany in her financial difficulties was telephoned from Paris to Washington to-night by Mr. H. L. Stimson from Castle. The latter immediately telephoned to President Hoover at his Summer camp at Rapidan.

The message has created the most cheerful impression in Washington official circles.—Reuter's American Service.

Ground for Hope.

Paris, Yesterday.

Shortly after midnight Dr. Curtius issued a statement to the German correspondents and, it is understood, assured them that the German negotiators could not make any concrete promises to the French, but left everything in suspense for the London Conference. He added that although little progress had been made towards a definite solution of the problems, the atmosphere of goodwill which had been created gave ground for hope.

Ministers in London.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. Henderson, Mr. Stimson and Mr. Mellon arrived in London at 11 p.m. to-day from Paris and were welcomed at Victoria by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and the French Ambassador before a large crowd.

Mr. Henderson immediately left for Downing Street to report to Mr. MacDonald the result of his conversations in Paris preparatory to a special Cabinet meeting in the morning to draft the agenda for the conference.

Mr. Henderson in a statement stated that the decision to postpone the visit to Berlin was very difficult but no other course was possible. He hoped soon to make a visit and emphasised the importance of a Franco-German understanding as the fullest piece of preparatory work for the London Conference.—Reuter.

Earlier News.

Rugby, Saturday.

Although any indications that France is prepared to co-operate in giving financial assistance to Germany in the present crisis are cordially welcomed here, the British Press continues rather dubious as to the efficiency of the French proposal for a $500,000,000 guaranteed loan.

One paper says: "Apart altogether from political conditions there are certain broad economic facts to be remembered. The present crisis is due almost entirely to the loss of confidence on the part of Germany's creditors in her ability to meet her existing commitments under the Young Plan, in order to delay reparations she has been forced to borrow abroad, and she has already borrowed too much. It is, therefore, difficult to see how the addition of another $100,000,000 to the burden of her external debt would help matters.

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ADOPTED DAUGHTER AS ACCUSER.

Serious Charge Against Married Man.

QUERIES FOR THE JURY.

Before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Lindsell) Chan Ming, alias Ming Kee, was charged at the Assizes to-day with rape, the complainant being a girl of 14. The offence was alleged to have taken place at Tsun Wan on the night of May 19 and 20.

On being asked to plead the accused replied: "Certainly not guilty. It is a false accusation."

The case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, whilst Mr. A. M. L. Soares (instructed by Mr. A. E. Hall) was for the defence.

The following comprised the Jury: Messrs. E. Butler (Foreman), Chan Kwan-yuen, Kwok Tsau, G. W. Arnold, W. F. Ford, E. E. R. Goeamkee, and H. S. Clippingdale.

Mr. Whyte-Smith told the Jury that they were judges of fact only, and although the learned Judge would direct them on law, it might help if he placed five points before the Jury at the outset.

Five Points.

(1) Whether the accused was guilty of rape as defined by law (definition given); (2) Whether there was attempted rape; (3) Whether or not the girl's evidence of resistance would satisfy them that she did not consent; (4) Whether with or without consent the accused had knowledge of an unmarried girl under the age of 16, which constituted an offence in law; and (5) Whether the accused was guilty of indecent assault.

Mr. Whyte-Smith said that in April the accused acquired the girl from her mother as an adopted daughter, paying $100 for her. The girl went to live at the accused's house on April 14. The family comprised the accused, his wife, the complainant, and the wife's seven-year-old daughter. They all slept in one bed.

On the night of May 19, after the complainant had gone to bed accused was alleged to have interfered with her and she cried, whereupon he desisted and she went to sleep. During the night she woke up and found that her clothes were in disorder. The accused again interfered with her. She called out but the accused seized her by the throat and accused's wife helped to pin the girl down.

On the morning of the 21st, the girl succeeded in slipping out of the house and went to the house (in Tsun Wan) of the go-between who had arranged for her sale to the accused.

Slipped Out of House.

The go-between told the girl's mother of what had happened, and the latter went to the accused's house to take the girl to the Police Station. The girl came out of the house, but accused's wife intercepted her. The mother went alone to the Police.

About the same time, the accused also went to the Police, and at the Station counter charges were made, the mother accusing him of a serious offence and he accusing the girl's mother of "flying the white pigeon" (which meant that she was trying to get the girl back after selling her to him for $100).

The girl corroborated the major portion of Mr. Whyte-Smith's statement. Throughout the time she lived at the accused's house, the latter always slept between her and his wife.

Replying to Mr. Soares, the girl agreed that it was exactly five weeks after her adoption that the offence occurred. She was very surprised because hitherto he had always behaved toward her as an adopted father.

The case is proceeding.

ADMIRAL EGERTON.

Served in Harwich Force During the War.

London, Yesterday.

The death occurred to-day of Rear-Admiral Wion de Malpas Egerton, D.S.O., the only surviving son of the late Field-Marshal Sir Charles Egerton, G.C.B., in his fifty-second year.—Reuter.

[Admiral Egerton served in the Harwich Force during the Great War and was for some A.D.C. to the King. He was promoted to the rank of Rear-Admiral in 1923 and [illegible]

KIDNAPPING CASE AT THE ASSIZES.

Five Years' Hard Labour.

AN TSTUTE UNCLE.

Liu Yuk, a woman, and Pang Heung, a man, were sentenced to five years' hard labour each at the Assizes this morning, on a joint charge of child stealing on May 27. Pang Heung pleaded guilty, but the woman denied the offence, claiming that she had merely been paid by the man to carry the child.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy prosecuted for the Crown, and, in opening the case, said that the child, a boy four years old, was missed by his mother on the afternoon of the day in question. He had been seen about 1 o'clock, but his mother, becoming anxious, informed the Police about one hour later.

Found in Kowloon.

An uncle of the child set out to search round Wanchai, but, seeing nothing, decided to go over to the Railway Station at Kowloon. He arrived there at about 3.45 p.m., as he knew there was an express leaving for Canton not long after. After looking round the station he eventually came across the woman prisoner, who was carrying the child slung on her back in the customary Chinese fashion. He at once accused her of theft of the child. This she denied, claiming that somebody had engaged her for the purpose. Upon request, she took the uncle to a carriage on the train, and there pointed out a man. They were then both arrested, and taken to the Water Police Station, where a ticket to Canton was found on the woman, and two bus tickets in the child's clothes. As regards the bus tickets, a bus conductor would be called to give evidence as to having sold them to the two prisoners on a bus coming from Shamshuipo that afternoon.

Blamed the Man!

When charged, the woman said: "Pang Heung promised to give me $10 and asked me to carry the boy on my back to the train." However, the fact remained that she had a ticket to Canton when searched immediately after arrest.

Evidence was then taken from the boy's father and mother, after which the uncle confirmed counsel's statement.

Evidence was then taken as to the sale of the railway and bus tickets, which closed the case for the prosecution.

Prisoner's Story.

Asked by his Lordship if she wished to say anything, the woman stated:—"What else more can I say to the Court than that I was asked by this man (pointing to second prisoner) to carry the child for him? I say this kidnapping has nothing to do with me. I was only asked by this man to carry the child for him. I am entirely at your Lordship's mercy. I plead to your Lordship not to deal with me severely, because, in fact, I did not take this child in the first place. I had nothing to do in the matter. It was simply that I was poor and wanted to earn the money that he promised me."

His Lordship then summed up, and after a brief retirement, the jury returned a verdict of Guilty.

A Serious Crime.

Turning to the prisoners, his Lordship reminded them that kidnapping was a very serious crime. The stealing of a child deprived the parents of the child, and it also broke up the family, particularly in the case of a Chinese, whose worship was at the ancestral tomb.

His Lordship added that he had the right of passing a heavier sentence on the first prisoner, he being a man who his Lordship thought was probably the prime mover in the act with the woman coming into the case later.

"INSANITY" VERDICT

FILIPINO AMOK NOT RESPONSIBLE.

"HEARD VOICES"

"JAPANESE PLOTTED TO KILL HIM."

Gracious Bilas, the Filipino who faced a charge of murder aboard the steamship Empress of Canada, on the high seas between Honolulu and Yokohama, on June 5 last, was found "Insane" by the jury at the Assizes this morning. The Chief Justice accordingly ordered that he should be detained in safe custody in the Mental Hospital until His Majesty's pleasure be known.

Prisoner did not plead in answer to the charge, and Mr. Sheldon, who appeared on his behalf, on assignment by the Crown, informed His Lordship that he formally approved of a jury being empanelled to try the issue as to whether the man was sane or not.

Results of Observation.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy, for the Crown, said in addressing the jury, "In this case you are empanelled to try whether accused is sane or not, he has been charged with murder, but he was placed under medical observation immediately upon his arrival here, being taken directly to the Mental Hospital from the Empress of Canada.

"There he was regularly observed by the doctors, and after the necessary period they both decided that he was insane. He has been detained in the Mental Hospital up to the present time. The crime alleged being one of murder, it is necessary that the jury should be empanelled to decide as to his sanity, the main points being whether he has sufficient intellect to follow the course of the trial, to make replies to the charge, to challenge the jurors, and comprehend the details of the evidence given. The doctors are both of the opinion that he is not in a position to understand any of these things.

"Very Confused."

Dr. Newton, the first witness, then told the Court that prisoner had been under his observation since the day of his arrival, June 12.

Mr. Fitzroy: And what are the results of your observations?—He is in a very confused condition of mind. He sits staring in front of him for hours on end, and practically never speaks unless spoken to. His replies when questioned are at times quite irrelevant, and have no bearing on the questions at all. On one occasion I asked him how long he had been in the hospital, and he had not the slightest idea. At meals he has to be watched and continually reminded to go on eating. He seems incapable of concentrating on the subject sufficiently long.

"When questioned about incidents aboard the Empress of Canada," witness continued, "he gives accounts which are practically unintelligable, seeming to mix up facts with ideas."

"Listening to Voices."

Does he suffer from delusions?—That is difficult to say, but I am rather inclind to think so. He appears to listen to voices, and when asked if he can hear them, he replies 'No, not now.' He has been quiet since his admission. In my opinion he is a case of confusional insanity.

You have already certified him as being insane?—Yes, he was examined for a period of three weeks, and certified on July 2.

Do you think he is of sufficient intellect to comprehend the course of these proceedings?—No.

Do you think he would be capable of making a proper defence—No.

Do you think he would understand the details of any evidence against him?—No.

Dr. G. H. Thomas, who said that he had prisoner under observation, and made notes on his condition daily from June 12, agreed with Dr. Newton.

An Unusual Case.

The Chief Justice, summing up, [illegible] case, but is definitely provided for by the law. When a man is charged with murder or any other crime the defence may set out that he was insane at the time the act was committed. If the jury finds that such was the case, then the prisoner may be ordered to be detained at His Majesty's pleasure.

"That is not so in this case. What you (the jury) are trying here is not whether this man was insane at the time the crime was committed, but whether he is now so insane as to be not fit to think or stand trial. You have to find whether the prisoner is of sufficient intellect to comprehend the proceedings, make a proper defence, and understand details of the evidence. If you are satisfied he has not such sufficient intellect then your verdict will be one of insanity.

Quick Verdict.

"The medical evidence has not been challenged or contradicted in any way, and you should have no difficulty in finding that prisoner is insane and not in a fit condition to stand his trial."

The jury returned their verdict without leaving the stand, and His Lordship pronounced judgment as stated.

Empanelled for the jury were Messrs. C. M. Soares (foreman), A. V. Barros, V. R. Gordon, A. A. dos Remedios, W. V. Field, H. A. Gregory, and Ching Hi-kwong.

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The Duke thought that the Force might well feel proud of these qualities of leadership, loyalty and discipline, and particularly of the reputation of the rank and file for freedom from the influence of communal differences.

He said that nobody understood better than the Force that they were public servants.

"You are the inheritors of fine traditions, which you have observed most manfully," he added. "The prestige of the Service and its reputation for impartiality are valuable assets," which the India of the future will inherit.

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THE NAUGHTY BOY OF THE ZOO.

He Has Wrecked Two Happy Homes.

IRATE HUSBANDS.

The devil, in the recognised form of a serpent, has wrecked two happy London homes.

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Home-Making.

They dug deep in the sand, nosed out firm embankments, excavated under the rock, and by-and-by had constructed a home per pair.

All that was left was for Mrs. Ben and Mrs. Tom to lay the eggs and for Ben and Tom to fan them with their fins, thus aerating them, and fight any venturesome fish that might cross the doorstep.

Then, creeping, sneaking, squirming, came the fiend.

The Chichlids had never seen such a brute before. He was the amphiuma, a salamander from America, with thick fleshy lips, and nastiness written all over him.

Foul Work.

Benny Boy viewed this terror with alarm. So did Tommy Lad.

"Out him!" cried Benny Boy.

Together they rushed at the amphiuma. That villain burrowed in the sand, and further spoiled one of the nests. But he left his tail exposed.

Two rate husbands seized on that tail. They ragged it and jagged it; cut scallops in it.

The foul work of the black-hearted salamander had been completed, however. Chichlid-villas, The Aquarium, Regent's Park, is in ruins.

Mrs. Ben and Mrs. Tom are in despair. They refuse to lay eggs in a broken-up home.

FAIR TO SHOWERY.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—

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Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.02 inch. Total since January 1—45.02 inches against an average of 46.60 inches — deficit 1.58 inches.

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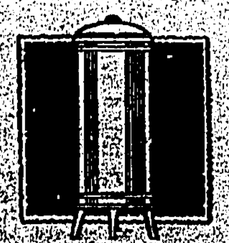
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LABOUR IN SARAWAK.

Termination of the Contract System.

The universal trade depression has had its effects on Sarawak, resulting in considerable unemployment during 1930, states the report of the acting Chief Secretary, Mr. J. C. Swayne. Early action was taken to deal with possible trouble, and in March immigration into Miri was rigorously controlled and restricted. A similar policy was commenced in the Third Division in July. Undoubtedly, this restriction was one of the chief reasons for the unusually quiet situation which accompanied the depression later in the year from August onwards. It was not found necessary to restrict immigration into the First Division at all, though control of the movements of Chinese was extended to all ports in Sarawak. Local trouble was experienced in Sibu in October, but was quickly brought under control, and special public works were commenced to relieve the genuinely unemployed.

The policy of repatriation of indigent Chinese was considered desirable in genuine cases of unemployment and hardship, providing that the applicant expressed a wish to return to his port of origin. A certain number of such cases had been dealt with by the end of the year, and the policy was extended to cover the case of Tamil labourers. Chinese labour is easy to recruit through the medium of Singapore, which forms a vast pool of surplus labour emanating chiefly from China. The employees lost, therefore, to the State though emigration during the past few months can, it is considered, be quickly replaced in case of necessity. The case is different, however, with the Foochow population on the Rejang. Labourers to this part are recruited almost entirely direct from China at considerable expense to the immigrants or their employers. It follows that it is desirable, if possible, to discourage emigration from this Division with an eye to a revival of trade in the near future.

Termination of Contract Labour.

The trade depression was keenly felt by the large estates employing Javanese contract labourers, and, at the suggestion of the Protector of Labour, a meeting was called early in August which was attended by the Managers of the estates employing this labour. As a result of this meeting, all contract labour in the State was terminated by mutual consent, the labourers being given the option to return to Java under their contracts if they desired. About 30 per cent. left the country, the remainder electing to remain on the estates as free labourers, coming under the terms of Order No. L—3 (Labour Protection). Up to the time of writing the new system has worked smoothly, and very little trouble has been experienced with the labourers. The question of the ultimate repatriation of Javanese labourers has also been taken up.

From a general aspect of Javanese labour, the year has been remarkably free from trouble.

The present position is, therefore, that all labour in the State is now "free," the only relic of the indentured labour system remaining being the rights of the contractee to repatriation to Java at the expense of his employer. Labour throughout the State has suffered from the trade depression, necessitating the enactment of an Emergency Labour Order (No. L—5) in October which virtually supersedes, or holds in abeyance, the major clauses of Order No. L—3 (Labour Protection), and may be renewable at the end of six months if necessary. By enforcing restriction of immigration into the State since March, 1931, and by taking various precautionary measures to deal with local situations as they arose, the period of emergency was successfully passed without undue trouble or hardship. Unemployment remains, but in a small degree, and is localised.

An increase of $13,000,000 in taxable land and property municipal valuation of various municipalities under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Commission during the present year over 1930, is shown in the official reports of the secretary-treasurer of each municipality. With a taxable valuation of $213,107,300 last year, the total is now at $226,103,675. The major increases took place in Westmount, Verdun, Outremont, Lachine and Montreal East.

PETROLEUM PROSPECTS.

Mr. A. Agnew Optimistic.

Addressing the members and a number of distinguished guests at the monthly luncheon of the Oil Industries Club, at the Abercorn Rooms, under the chairmanship of Mr. C. Dalley, Mr. A. Agnew, a vice-president of the Club, who is associated with the Royal Dutch-Shell group, stated that he had read the statement that we were in the petroleum stage of the world's history.

In his view we had not really entered upon the petroleum stage. The world's production was now, he said, at the rate of about 200 million tons per annum. Any product which had to be turned out at that rate must be looked upon as a commodity which was greatly in demand and also as one of the great articles of commerce throughout the world. The demand for petroleum products must continue to grow.

Consumption at the moment, he said, was probably diminishing slightly instead of increasing, but he was convinced that was a temporary state of affairs brought about by the general industrial lassitude throughout the world, and expressed confidence, that before long the demand would increase in every country.

Increased Consumption Expected.

Mr. Agnew then dealt with certain uses of petroleum. He referred to that used in boilers for raising steam, oil used in internal combustion engines, oil or spirit used in motor cars, oil and spirit used for aviation purposes, and petroleum products used for road making. That he described as by no means an exhaustive list. In all those directions he looked for increased consumption. He said there was a good case for optimism regarding the future of the industry.

Mr. Agnew concluded with references to the production of oil from coal; synthetic petroleum, hydrogenation and other methods of obtaining oil products. He said that experiments had shown that oil products could be and were being from sources other than those he described as nature's ready-made supply. Those new methods, he said, must be subjected to two tests, namely, efficiency of the products and cost of production.

Question of Costs.

It was known, he said, that efficient products could be manufactured, and there remained only the question of cost. With the knowledge which existed to-day, those new methods of producing oil products could not compete with the natural supply of crude at the price at which that natural product was being produced. At the same time, he pointed out that the company with which he was associated (the "Shell" Transport and Trading Co.) were of the opinion that the experiments in that connection should be continued. They had never lost sight of the possibility of the experiments proving successful, and they, together with other large producing, shipping and marketing companies, were interested in the various processes not merely as a matter of curiosity. An oil company of any magnitude must keep pace with the times.

He expressed his belief that the future of the industry was a bright one, in the first place because it was dealing with a commodity that the world would require in increasing quantities, and secondly, because those responsible for it were largely imbued with the idea of giving the best possible service to the public.

ROTHSCHILDS AND VIENNA.

Famous Banking House To Remain.

Vienna, July 1.

In view of the persistent rumours that the Vienna branch of the famous banking-house of Rothschild will cease business, the firm publishes a statement in which it is declared that, although the House of Rothschild has suffered severe losses in connection with the recent difficulties of the Credit Anstalt, the rumours that the Bank would liquidate and that the Vienna members of the Rothschild family intended leaving the Austrian capital are entirely unfounded.

In spite of this statement it is asserted in informed circles that Baron Louis Rothschild, the head of the Vienna House, has decided to sell his estate of Waidhofen, which is one of the largest and most valuable estates in Europe.

U.S. INDUSTRIALIST.

Visit to Colony of Mr. W. L. Bomer.

ENTERPRISE IN CHINA.

With the object of exploring the markets of China and for the future development in the Orient of his pharmaceutical enterprises, Mr. Walter L. Bomer, the noted manufacturer of chemical products, recently paid a visit to Hong Kong with Mrs. Bomer and their son.

The party arrived on the s.s. Empress of Japan from Manila on Wednesday, July 15, and after making a number of business calls in the Colony, sailed for Shanghai on Saturday.

Extensive Tour.

Mr. Bomer left the United States nine months ago in order to make an extensive world tour and the course of his itinerary of trade investigation brought him to Europe, Africa, India, Malaya, Australasia, and thence to Hong Kong.

Mr. Bomer's company has already established local factories in Africa, Europe and India, but China was comparatively a new field for their products. As a result of Mr. Bomer's personal investigation of the market, however, there is every likelihood that he will develop his enterprises in that country in the near future.

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Sal Hepatica is a saline laxative and is an especially fine product. It has been used and prescribed by physicians all over the world for more than 35 years, and is widely known and extensively advertised in the United States. It, also, is the leader in its field.

In addition to these two products, the Bristol-Meyers Company are makers of Ingram's Shaving Cream, Ingram's Milkweed Cream and Gastrogen Tablets. The Ingram's products were acquired by the purchase of the Ingram's Company a few years ago. These two products are widely known and have the same world-wide reputation as both Ipana and Sal Hepatica. These Ingram's products and Gastrogen Tablets are widely advertised.

The Bristol-Meyers Company manufacture and market their products in every quarter of the globe. Among their outstanding markets, are those in Australia, Canada, the Argentine, Mexico, the West Indies, and Colombia, in all of which markets they are outstanding in their field.

The development of the Bristol-Meyers Company's huge business outside the borders of the United States is a result of Mr. Walter Bomer's constructive sales policies and expert men in the United States, particularly in the drug field.

The Bristol-Meyers main office is at 75, West Street, New York, N.Y., and their factory is at Hillside, New Jersey. They maintain branches in Australia, Canada, Mexico, Cuba, Colombia, the Argentine, Britain and elsewhere. They are known for their intensive policies of promotion and expansion. Their gross business and profits run well into millions, and their advertising appropriations, which are also in the millions, are among the largest spent by any manufacturer in their line of business. — Communicated.

The estimated acreage of spring wheat in all Canada for this season is 22,150,300 as compared with 24,082,900 last year, according to a report of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. In Alberta the acreage is 89 per cent. of that of last year; in Saskatchewan, 92 per cent.; in Manitoba, 98 per cent.; in Ontario, 99; in Quebec, 100; in British Columbia, 102; in Nova Scotia, 96; in New Brunswick, 95, and in Prince Edward Island, 101. The acreages of the various grains, throughout Canada, as at May 1 (with those for 1930 in brackets) are: spring wheat, 22,152,300 (24,082,900); oats, 13,836,000 (13,258,700); barley, 4,784,000 (5,558,700); spring rye 292,150 (357,050); flaxseed, 661,300 (631,800); mixed grains, 1,210,300 (1,201,400).

NATIONAL CITY BANK.

Removal to Its New Building.

GENERAL ADMIRATION.

Many friends, clients, and well-wishers of the National City Bank of New York were present at the opening of the new building at No. 2, Queen's Road Central on Saturday, including managers of banks in Hong Kong, leading brokers, and several members of the Legislative Council. Admiration of the building was heard on every side, and Mr. Jenkins, Consul-General for the United States, expressed the general sentiment when he said that the American community were very proud of the Bank's new home.

Work for Common Good.

Mr. Jenkins, in wishing the Bank and its manager success and prosperity, said: I want to ask those gathered here to join with the American community in wishing the National City Bank prosperity in its new home, together with long life and prosperity to Mr. Courtney, the manager. (Applause).

The American community is proud of this building. It is indeed a great bank whose branch is housed here. And in a large measure we owe the building to the foresight and energy of Mr. Courtney.

A bank like the National City Bank of New York is interested both in the welfare of its country and that of all the world. It seeks not only to make money for itself, but to help towards the prosperity of its British and Chinese friends in Hong Kong, and the welfare of the Colony generally. (Applause).

The National City Bank is a Hong Kong institution, and is part of its daily life. I ask you to drink to the success of the Bank.

A Peep Into History.

Mr. F. McD. Courtney, manager of the local branch of the Bank, in reply, said: I wish to express my appreciation of your kind wishes given to the Bank and myself. As you know, the National City Bank has been going for nearly 120 years now, and as Mr. Jenkins has said, the object of a bank of this kind is not purely the making of money for itself. It aims at the promotion of trade all over the world. (Applause).

American banking first began to take an interest in the Far East in about the year 1902, when the International Banking Corporation was formed here, and took over the branches of the Guaranty Trust Company. It carried on from that time, until being finally absorbed by the National City Bank of New York.

Happy Relations.

During the time we have worked here our relations with other banks and business people here have always been of the happiest nature. I should like to thank the Hong Kong Government, the banks, and business community of Hong Kong for their cordial co-operation with us at all times. (Applause).

The visitors afterwards went over the building, which was thrown open to them.

A Correction.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., are the sole agents for the General Fireproofing Company, and they supplied the office furniture for the National City Bank of New York.

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S. LACK,
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Hong Kong, July 9, 1931.

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Hong Kong, June 24, 1931.

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ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

What Mail Reviewers Say.

"PARLOUR, BED ROOM AND BATH."

Buster Keaton looks like ousting Charlie Chaplin as the funniest man in the world in his new talkie comedy "Parlour, Bedroom and Bath," now being screened at the Queen's Theatre. There may have been funnier pictures made, but we haven't been lucky enough to see them. Buster Keaton doesn't smile once in this picture, but the audience is delirious throughout the performance. And, as if Buster alone were not enough, we are given the additional joy of two other big "stars" of comedy—Reginald Denny and Ukelele Ike. With such an ensemble of laughter-makers one could only expect a very good and a very funny picture, and this is exactly what one gets.

Knocked Out.

The story is simple. Buster Keaton, as an outdoor advertising agent, is tacking signs on to telegraph poles when he sees a bevy of beautiful girls sunning their limbs in the pool of a private country house. He is so intent on this vision that he fails to notice an oncoming car and is knocked down. The driver, Reginald Denny, carries him into the house, where he is given every attention, and care—a little too loving for Buster's modest disposition. To Denny the sudden appearance of this sign tacker suggests a rapid solution to his romantic problems. He is in love with the beautiful sister of his hostess, but the girl will not consent to marry him as it would leave her sister "on the shelf." "Marry my sister off to somebody and and then I'll marry you" she says. Unfortunately the sister cares only for cave men with a reputation, so that at first it does not seem as though Buster will be very helpful. The resourceful Denny, however, foists a few hired "wives" and divorcees on Buster and coaches him in the art of pretending to be a cave man. The sister is not quite convinced that Buster is the man of her heart, however, and it takes a great deal of persuasion, force and rollicking comedy to bring her to reason and Buster's rejuvenated arms. P. G. Wodehouse could not have written a funnier play than this or any comedians have given a better performance than that of Buster Keaton, Denny and Laddie Cliff.

"LET'S GO PLACES."

Previously displayed in the Queen's Theatre, the musical farce, "Let's Go Places," is now having its run at the Star Theatre. The cast of players, headed by Joseph Wagstaff and Lola Lane, includes Sharon Lynn, Frank Richardson (both of "Sunny Side up"). Walter Catlett, Dixie Lee, Charles Judels, Ilka Chase, and Larry Steers.

The film would not have the appeal that it has if it were not for Frank Richardson, who contributes in a large measure to its success. His acting is splendid and he is responsible for its elements of clean humour. Wagstaff is a good singer, proving his ability in a number of songs. Judels is particularly outstanding as Du Bonnet. Miss Lee supplies a pinch of melody, whilst Lola Lane and Sharon Lynn form the other parties in the romantic side of the production.

Wagstaff, so the story goes, visits Hollywood under the name of Du Bonnet with Richardson as his manager. Fun is rife when the real Du Bonnet returns from Paris.

A Fox newsreel depicts the launching, by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, of the new C.P.R. liner Empress of Britain. Our Gang comedy completes the entertainment.

From Other Sources.

"UNFAITHFUL."

It's all in the point of view. Film audiences see in any picture that which they want to see, says John Cromwell, who has capped a whole list of successful motion picture productions with his Ruth Chatterton hit, "Unfaithful" which is now showing at the King's Theatre. In proof of his contention, Cromwell points to one instance on the set for filming of "Unfaithful."

"Ruth Chatterton, Paul Lukas, Juliette Compton, Paul Cavanagh and Donald Cook completed a highly dramatic scene in the picture. Out of range of the cameras, a group of film workers had watched the action, and yet, it is safe to say, no two of them had seen it alike.

"Each of these persons was an expert in his own particular role and was interested in that particular phase of the scene being filmed. Film audiences everywhere are much the same, so that every detail in a picture is subject to the most expert and critical scrutiny after completion as well as during filming."

"Unfaithful" is another of the series of John Cromwell's dramatic hits which began with William Powell's "Street of Chance," and includes "For the Defence," "The Mighty," "Tom Sawyer," and "Scandal Sheet."

"CALL OF THE WEST."

"Call of the West," the glorious all-talking dramatic romance of the American Southwest, which is to be screened at the Central Theatre to-day, will re-echo in your mind long after you have seen it. There are thrills and romance unfolded against a background of scenic beauty that has never been equalled.

Beautiful Miss Dorothy Revier is the star of the picture with Matt Moore playing in the male leading role. The cow-boys who lend realism to this outdoor sequences are Buff Jones, Tom O'Brien, Nick De Ruiz, Ford West and Vic Potel, Kathrin Clare Ward plays the part of the sympathetic Western mother.

"Call of the West" is different to other outdoor pictures you've seen. It shifts its locale from New York night clubs to the Western ranch and incorporates thrilling action with dancing, singing and romance.

The plot is concerned with Violet La Tour, Broadway musical comedy favourite who temporarily loses her looks through an illness. She is relegated to a cheap road company. Violet collapses in Sagebrush, Texas, and is stranded. A cowboy admirer, Lon Dixon, takes her to his range and his mother nurses her back to health. During her convalescence, Violet falls in love with Lon and marries him. She believes she has been forgotten Broadway until Lon unintentionally hurts her feelings. Then she packs her grip and goes back to the scene of her former triumphs. How she is brought to the realization that real love has spoiled her for the artificalities of New York night life, supplies the rest of the action for this drama.

"SKIPPY."

The search for a mud turtle whose keel measured just two inches and a half fore and aft, with a beam in the approved proportion, was one of the major problems of the property department of the Paramount Hollywood studio during the recording of "Skippy."

This comedy romance of kids who have captured the hearts of a nation, based on Percy Crosby's cartoon strip, will be the King's diversion for four days starting on Wednesday.

"But we got it—right out here in a tank," exclaimed Prop Master Russ Pierce after a successful quest. He exclaimed this victorious phrase with all the fervour of a man who has dropped the key of his car on a dark night and finds it snugly in the cuff of his pants.

The turtle had to be of exact dimensions to fit in a kid's pocket. Pockets are not measured for turtles, so the right sized amphibian had to be located for pockets.

Hollywood's famous eighteen-day diet, generally abandoned by the eternally starved sex, was called into play for the turtle's big screen chance. It was fed sparingly, for fear it would grow out of pocket-size before "Skippy" had been completed.

Jackie Cooper, Robert Coogan, Mitzi Green, and Jackie Searl enact the principal roles.

"THE EASIEST WAY."

"The Easiest Way," which will come to the Queen's Theatre on Thursday, is an M-G-M. talking picture version of the sensational Eugene Walter stage play.

Constance Bennett does highly effective work as "Laura", heroine of the drama, while the deft Adolphe Menjou and clever young Robert Montgomery are splendid in the two role, Marjorie Rambeau has a role similar to that of her "Bella" in "Min and Bill," while Anita Page is more than adequate as "Peg," Laura's sister. Clark Gable, of the stage success, "The last Mele," makes his talkie, debut in this picture.

"The Easiest Way" was adapted by Edith Ellis, and Jack Conway has done a very fine job of direction.

"ONCE A SINNER."

Is confession good for the soul and the peace of mind?

This forms the basic theme of the plot in "Once a Sinner," the Fox Movietone which is coming to the Central Theatre on Thursday.

Dorothy Mackaill has the leading featured role of "Diana Barry," in which she plays the beautiful girl who barters her honour, for a year, in exchange for fashionable gowns, costly furs, diamonds, and a life of luxury.

Then she meets a young inventor, falls in love with him, and agrees to marry him. It is the first real love she has ever experienced, but before marriage she insists on confessing her part on the basis that her past belongs to her—before marriage.

What happens and whether she could or should not have confessed, the picture reveals.

Joel McCrea has the role of the young husband, John Halliday is "the other man" and C. Henry Gordon is Serge Ratoff," philandering Russian gambler and gambling house owner, Sally Brane and Ilka Chase have supporting roles.

Good news to the lumber, pulp and paper interests of Quebec Province and to the victims of noise torments in urban centres, came from McGill University (Physics Laboratory) the other day to the effect that the research workers there had perfected an effective acoustic board from waste wood products. This is the first time that an all-Canadian fibre board has been produced in the Dominion.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Entertainments.

To-day — King's Theatre; "Unfaithful."

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "Parlour, Bedroom and Bath."

To-day — Central Theatre; "The Call of the West."

To-day — Majestic Theatre, "Just Imagine."

To-day — World Theatre; "The Pagan."

To-day — Star Theatre: "Let's Go Places."

Home Mails.

To-day—Outward for Europe via Siberia (Shinyo Maru); 6 p.m.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia (D'Artagnan); Outward for Europe via Marseilles (D'Artagnan), 12.30 p.m.; for Europe via Siberia (President McKinley), 1.30 p.m.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 4.

Lammerts' Auctions.

To-morrow—At Sales Room, 4 Duddell Street, valuable household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7.05-7.32 p.m.—Gilbert & Sullivan Selections.

Trial by Jury—Selection,
The Sorcerer—Selection,
The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards (C1435).

The Yeomen of the Guard—
Vocal Gems,
Light Opera Co. (C1807).

H.M.S. Pinafore—Selection,
The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards (C1283).

7.32-8 p.m.—Choruses.

Old Musical Comedy Gems,
Jack Hylton & His Orchestra & Chorus (C1773).

The Three Ravens (arr. Scott),
The Boatmen (Harris),
John Goss & the Cathedral Male Voice Quartet (B3548).

Medley of Leslie Stuart's Songs (arr. Greenwood),
Light Opera Co. (C2090).

(a) Haul Away, Joe,
(b) What Shall We Do With the Drunken Sailor (arr. Terry),
John Goss & the Cathedral Male Voice Quartet (B2420).

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8.03-8.40 p.m.—Band & Orchestral Selections.

Saschinka (Schirmann),
Marek Weber & His Orchestra (C2100).

A Musical Switch (arr. Alford),
The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards (C1580).

Ballet Egyptien Suite (Luigini),
New Light Symphony Orch. (C1254-5).

8.40-9.22 p.m.—Variety.

Banjo Quartet—
Snatches of Song,
Darktown Dandies,
Emile Grimshaw's Banjo Quartet (B3423).

Humorous Song—
Half-Past Nine,
Geranium ..Nellie Wallace (B2906).

Organ Solo—
Dream Lover,
Just As We Used to Do,
Edward O'Henry (B3428).

Song Medley—
Maurice Chevalier Medley,
Maurice Chevalier (Baritone) with Jack Hylton & His Orchestra (B3886).

Banjo Solo—
Teasin' the Frets,
Lollipops ..Michele Ortuso (B3651).

Songs—
(a) Clementine,
(b) Soloman Levi,
(a) There's a Tavern in the Town,
(b) John Peel,
Stuart Robertson (Bass-Baritone) (2992).

9.22-10.15 p.m.—A Concert.

Piano Solo—
Medley of Marches,
The King's Horses (Gay & Graham),
Raie Da Costa (B3755).

Song—
Bird of Love Divine (Haydn Wood),
Valley of Laughter (Sanderson),
Mavis Bennett (Soprano) (B2572).

Mandoline Orchestra—
Amazon's Ride (Ritter),
Entry of the Gladiators (Fucik),
Mandoline Concert Society (B3344).

Song—
Serenade (Toselli),
Mattinata (Dawn Tide) (Tosti),
Sydney Coltham (Tenor) (B2357).

Violin Solo—
Minuet in G No. 2 (Beethoven),
Serenade in G Major (Arensky),
Mischa Elman (1434).

Songs—
(a) Jock the Fiddler,
(b) The Ballad-Monger (Martin),
(a) Fairings,
(b) Come to the Fair (Martin),
Percy Heming (Baritone) (C1482).

Piano Solo—
(a) Bee's Wedding (Mendelssohn),
(b) Etude in G Flat (Chopin),
Rustle of Spring (Sinding),
Irene Scharrer (D1309).

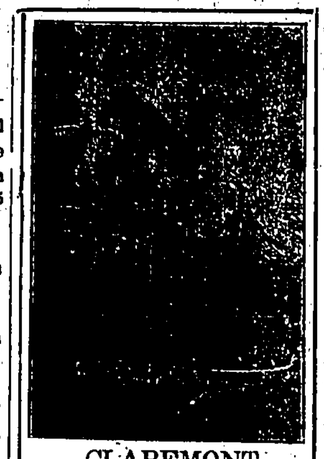
10.15 - 10.28 p.m. — Hawaiian Music.

Aloha Oe ...Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra (20516).

Blue Hawaii,
Sparkling Waters of Waikiki,
Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra (21985).

Girl of My Dreams,
Maria, Maria,
Walter Kolomoku Honoluluans (21263).

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.



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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

BRITAIN DEFEATS THE U.S.A.

FINCHER DEFEATED IN CANTON.

Brilliant Young Chinese Player Wins.

K.C.C. VISITORS.

Six members of the Kowloon Cricket Club visited Canton yesterday and were defeated by a Combined Canton team by three matches to two at the Central Park.

Fine weather favoured the opening games of the series of matches down for decision, but shortly after noon a heavy rain storm caused play to be abandoned.

The first match on the programme provided the most interesting tennis of the day when Leung Tak-kwong, a young player of exceptional promise, defeated E. C. Fincher, this year's runner-up in the Hong Kong Singles Championship. It may have either been the clay courts or the glare, but Fincher was certainly not at his best, though at times he showed signs of the brilliance he is capable of when at the net.

Leung Tak-kwong fully merited his success as his positional tactics were admirably executed. Possessing a beautiful forehand drive and a forceful back hand stroke, he needs only to improve his service to become a leading light in local tennis circles Overhead he proved deadly and his placements kept Fincher ever on the move.

With only one singles match to be decided rain set in for the day and the two matches then in progress had to be abandoned. In the singles match G. Bodiker was leading E. C. Fincher 6-4, 3-1 and in the doubles encounter R. B. Hambly and N. A. E. Mackay were on level terms with Admiral Chan Chak and Wong Po-keung at nine games all.

The K.C.C. won 61 games to Canton's 55 in the five concluded matches. The proposed programme included six singles matches and three doubles matches, all of which were to be decided on the best of three sets.

The full results were as follow:

Leung Tak-kwong (Canton) beat E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.) 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

G. A. White (K.C.C.) beat Admiral Chan Chak (Canton) 6-1, 6-2.

Precht (Canton) beat D. M. McDougall (K.C.C.) 7-5, 1-6, 6-3.

G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.) beat Lai Fook-hing's substitute 6-3, 8-6.

Chan Chi-keung (Canton) beat N. A. E. Mackay (K.C.C.) 6-4, 7-5.

AUSTIN'S VICTORY IN STRAIGHT SETS

PERRY'S GOOD WIN.

To Meet France in the Challenge Round.

THREE MATCHES TO ONE.

Paris, Yesterday.

Great Britain gained a great Davis Cup victory over the United States to-day when she won the remaining two singles matches to qualify to meet France, the holders, in Paris on July 24. The position before to-play's play favoured the Americans as they were leading by two matches to one. Perry and Austin, however, took the tennis world by storm when they defeated both Wimbledon finalists to give Britain her big chance to capture the coveted trophy.

Full results as cabled by Reuter were as follow:—

H. W. Austin (Britain) beat F. X. Shields (U.S.A.) 8-6, 6-3, 7-5.

F. J. Perry (Britain) beat S. Wood (U.S.A.) 6-3, 8-10, 6-3, 6-3.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

FENCING—To-day—H.K. Fencing Club Meet at 5.15 p.m.

WATER POLO—To-day—Division I.—Kowloon v. Chinese Athletic.

Wednesday—Division I.—V.R.C. v. Kowloon.

Friday—Division I.—Navy v. Chinese B.C.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—H.K.F.A. Council Meeting at 5.30 p.m.

ABROAD.

CRICKET—To-day and To-morrow—

Surrey v. Lancashire.
Sussex v. Leicestershire.
Hampshire v. Somerset.
Glamorgan v. Worcestershire.
Northamptonshire v. Warwickshire.
Notts v. Yorkshire.
Kent v. Middlesex.
Derbyshire v. Gloucestershire.
Durham v. New Zealand (Two days).

GOLF—To-day to Friday—Scottish Amateur Championship at Prestwick.

RACING — Friday — Liverpool Summer Cup.

LAWN TENNIS — Friday—Davis Cup Challenge Round in Paris.

WRESTLING BOUT AT HAPPY VALLEY.

Potential Date Next Sunday.

MIXED PROGRAMME.

The potential date for the wrestling bout between Daulla and his mysterious British challenger is July 26 (next Sunday), but whether or not that will be the date of the bout will depend on negotiations which are now being made for a venue in Happy Valley, failing which the promoters will have to go farther afield.

A suggestion which the promoters should bear in mind is to arrange a mixed programme which would appeal to all sections of the community. It would not be a bad idea to include exhibitions of European and Chinese boxing, and ju-jitsu, with the wrestling bout as the main attraction, and perhaps a strong man exhibition of weight lifting, bar bending, etc., might be thrown in for good measure.

SGT. FULTON WINS KING'S PRIZE.

His Third Success at Bisley.

Bisley, Saturday.

Sergeant Fulton, late of the Queen's Westminster and Civil Service Rifles (16th London Regiment), won the King's Prize for the third time, with a score of 285.

Dr. Kelly, late of the University of London Training Corps was second with 280 and Northcote, late of the 6th Manchesters, was placed third although he also scored 280.—Reuter.

Sergeant Fulton had previously won the trophy twice, in 1912 and 1926. The conditions of the shoot are 10 shots at 300, 500 and 600 yards and 15 shots at 900 and 1,000 yards. The highest possible score is 300. The first prize is £250, the National Rifle Association's medal, and the gold badge.

Under the auspices of the Hong Kong Ping Pong Association, the Men's and Ladies' Singles Championships will be open to the Colony. Entries from all nationalities are invited. Entrance fee for each participant is one dollar. Entries should be sent to Messrs. China Sports, 16, D'Aguilar Street not later than July 31.

INTERPORT TRIALS AT V.R.C.

FORECAST OF WATER POLO TEAM.

DA ROZA'S PROMISE.

[By "Gold Fish."]

The Hong Kong Amateur Swimming Association are to be congratulated on their first effort in the series of Interport Trials, the first of which was held at the V.R.C. on Saturday before a large crowd of spectators. All the leading swimmers of the Colony were taking part so that good swimming as well as close finishes were seen. At the conclusion of the programme dancing was indulged in to the strains of the Lyric Orchestra.

While it is yet early to predict Hong Kong's chances in the forthcoming triangular Interport contest with Shanghai and Tientsin to be held at Shanghai early in September, a few remarks and comments on the swimmers would not be amiss.

Throwing the Polo Ball:—S. H. Wong, of the University, was the outstanding man in this event. He should break the Hong Kong record set up by R. Coleman in 1912 of 78 feet 6 inches. T. Paget was second with M. L. Railton a good third, both members of the Kowloon Swimming Club. Hong Kong should do well in this event.

In the Breast Stroke Yeung Yuen-wah (S.C.A.A.) equalled the Hong Kong record set up by Wan Kwong-tin in 1928—78.2/5 secs.

Foralia, of the V.R.C., was second his time being 82.2/5. Foralia is in need of training if he wish's to reduce his time.—T. Paget, the K.S.C.C. came third and should also be able to reduce his time with more training.

The 100 yards Free style attracted much attention as it was hoped that Lawrence would break the Hong Kong record set up by D. Lyon in 1924—59 sec., especially after his effort of 59.1/5 secs. on the previous night. He would have done so had he been pushed a little more. He won in good style, his time being 60.2/5 secs. He lost very valuable time by watching Gittins instead of getting ahead—a very common mistake made by nearly all swimmers. Gittins (V.R.C.) came in second, his time being 62.4/5. More was expected of Gittens but since the accident to his arm some little while back he does not seem to have quite recovered his form. It is to be hoped that he will be able to get back to his old form and reduce his time. E. B. da Roza (V.R.C.), a young lad who is coming on, did well to come in third. He seems to be greatly handicapped by having too hard a stroke. He needs to be watched as he is a coming champion. He is being coached by a well known swimmer in Dr. Laing. Hong Kong should also do well in this event.

The 100 Yards Back Stroke was won by L. Roza Pereira, of the V.R.C. (74.2/5 secs.), with Leung Sui-man (C.B.C.), a close second. The time set up was a good bit above the record set up by Wong Son Hing—71.2/5 secs. Wong did not swim in this event, but we understand that he is in training for his effort to break his own record.

Regarding the Water Polo game, it was one of the best games seen in Hong Kong for a long time. There were two very strong teams in the water and a very hard and fast game was witnessed. D. Laing's team (blue) defeated E. W. Railton's team (white) by two goals to one.

Many weak points were brought out which should help the selectors a great deal. For the Blue team M. L. Railton was the outstanding player. Experience plus his deadly shooting at any angle or distance proved most effective. Dr. Laing found E. W. Railton a very hard man to mark and was frequently out of position time and again. Remedios at centre half was not of much help to his forwards and it seems that he is more suited to the back position as he played well at that position although he was supposed to be centre-half. This made the going for his forwards very much harder. Silva Netto played a sound game. For the Whites E. W. Railton played a great game. He is unquestionably the best centre half in Hong Kong, knowing the game inside out. Knight, the goal-keeper, played a sound game and saved some very hard shots. It would be very hard to find a better goal-keeper as he knows where and how to place the ball. Soares played a good game but made some very serious blunders, one of which was the cause of a goal being scored. S. H. Wong played a good game but was shadowed too well.

The following two points would be well worth watching and keeping in mind otherwise they will lead to serious consequences.

When forwards are shooting do not push off another man. This was noticeable and is a very common and very serious error. The other point is for a back to try and stop a forward moving. Players would be well advised to remember that playing and following the ball plus speed will win any game.

In my opinion the best Interport Water Polo team would comprise of the following:—

T. L. Knight, Soares, Remedios, E. W. Railton, Dr. Laing, M. L. Railton, and C. Pereira.

This team would be hard to beat and should go a long way towards winning the honours.

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ELKY CLARK'S CHANCE

THE EMOTIONS EXPERIENCED BY THE BOXER PRIOR TO THE FIGHT.

SCOTLAND'S HOPE

[By Elky Clark.]

The following is only a section in the life story of Elky Clark, the once famous Scottish pugilist, as published exclusively in the Evening News. This section is perhaps the most vivid of all his recollections of former fights, the section which deals with his fight with Fidel La Barba for the flyweight championship of the world.

At the weigh-in prior to the fight neither Fidel La Barba nor myself had difficulty in making the weight. The ceremony was attended by a big crowd, and, of course, there were plenty of newspapermen present. In America you never get out of sight of the Press if you are any way prominent.

In point of fact, during my stay in the States I grew tired of the sight of Press men. They were a constant nuisance, and a menace to my peace of mind, an altogether different type from their fellows on this side of the Atlantic.

No Chances Taken.

The medical examination was a most strict affair, a much different business from any which I had previously undergone before a fight. They certainly take no chances at Madison Square Gardens of a man entering the ring in an unfit condition.

After the weigh-in I went to the house of a daughter of my manager, Tommy Colquhoun. I treated myself to a first-class meal, and then went to bed.

During the few days prior to the date of the fight it seemed as if every Scot in the world was taking an interest in my welfare. Every few minutes someone would arrive with a mascot. There were gaily dressed "kilties," horse shoes decorated with tartan and heather, miniature sets of bagpipes, and other articles whose appearance spoke of Scotland.

Hundreds of Messages.

In addition, there were hundreds of telegrams from different parts of America, and cablegrams from the homeland. I required a full-sized suitcase in which to bring them home.

Among the mascots was one from Mrs. Kirlichan, the wife of my doctor. Incidentally, I may mention that shortly after my departure for the States my wife again took ill, and Dr. Kirlichan wrote me a weekly letter telling me of her state of health. They were always cheery epistles and prevented me from worrying.

When I rose from bed I was motored straight to Madison Square Gardens. What a wonderful place. I don't think there is anything nearly approaching it in any part of the world. There are tiers upon tiers of galleries which give seating accommodation to 24,000 people.

Madison Square.

It is not used exclusively for boxing. One of the other sports which it houses is ice-hockey. It is possible to make an ice-hockey "field," do away with the ice and re-arrange the place for boxing all within half an hour. American speed and pep one sees at their slickest at Madison Square.

When I arrived at the main entrance there was a big crowd, including many Scots, standing round the doorway. As I stepped out of the car I heard a voice above the rest hailing me.

"Hello, Elky," it said.

I turned round, thinking I recognised it, and there crushing his way to shake hands with me was Johnny Connor, the one time member of the Southern Club, who had been responsible for my meeting old Jim Morton.

With Frankie Genaro.

Johnny Connor, as I have told you, induced me to join the Southern when I had given up any ideas I held of going on with the game. He had travelled all the way from Cyracuse, where he was staying, to see me battle for the world's championship.

We certainly gave one another a hearty grip of the hand. It was like meeting an angel from Heaven.

When I got inside I was led right away to my dressing room, a sumptuous affair compared with many I have seen. I shared it with Frankie Genaro, who was down to meet Newsboy Brown in the chief supporting item on the bill.

Frankie and I greeted one another, but did not have much conversation. Both our minds were too intent on the business in hand. We were attended to by our respective seconds, and given the final look-over before being called to action. Frankie was first to be summoned.

Couldn't Afford Them.

When I first fought for the Lonsdale Belt, I was not too well endowed, as I have already explained, with the good things of the world, and it was my desire to step into the ring of the National Sporting Club, London, with a new pair of trunks. But I could not afford the luxury.

My wife, however, came to the rescue. With her nimble fingers she fashioned for me a pair from a set of window curtains.

In boxing, as in other sports, there is a great deal of superstition, and I always firmly believed that that particular pair of trunks brought me luck. Every fight I had in them afterwards saw my thighs encased in them. And I never tasted the bitterness of defeat, although I was often hard pressed to avert it.

At Madison Square there is a very strict rule that no man is permitted to fight in trunks of a light colour. My lucky old pair were of yellow, and were vetoed by the management. I was told I would require to get others of a darker shade. I was a bit hurt, but I had to accept the inevitable.

Superstition.

I wore for the fight a pair of blue silk, made especially for me by a Scotsman in New York, the head of a silk factory, but I did not go into the ring without my old'uns. Not on your life. I wore them beneath the others. Such is the sway of superstition.

When at last my turn came to enter the ring I felt that tenseness of feeling that overcomes every boxer when his name is called. I was strung up for the occasion, but I felt no other sensation. There was no excitement, just that little touch of anxiety which made me wonder if all would come well for me.

Everything was signalled for the O.K. A last shake of the hand, a last expression of good wishes from those who wanted to see me win, and I left my dressing-room flanked by Tommy Colquhoun and Charlie Harvey, who showed the way to my corner.

Gathering of Clans.

There were nearly 20,000 people in the great arena, and I was told after that 12,000 of them were Scots. I can well believe it. No man ever got a greater reception than I did that night. The warmth of it brought a lump to my throat More than ever I wanted to win. There was an army of my countrymen here to cheer me. I vowed that they would not be ashamed of me. I acknowledged their mighty salute and went to my corner where Tommy Couquhoun and Charlie Harvey awaited me. I still was possessed of that tenseness, but my brain was cool. I had a perfect grip of myself. La Barba also got a great reception, but his countrymen just did not root like mine.

Plenty of Encouragement.

Followed all the preliminaries . . . I caught a vision of a sea of faces. Up, up, up they rose in never ending fashion. Hundreds of feet above me they seemed. And from every quarter came the accent of Caledonia. I might easily have been in Auld Scotland. There was the voice of the Clydeside and of the East, and of the Highlands and of the Southern countries.

And below me the broadcaster spoke into the microphone. "Wall, folks, the boys are in the ring. We're gettin' ready now. Gee, they both look good to me."

Again my thoughts went back a bit. Again I saw myself at the club in Glasgow fighting for a pittance with jeers ringing in my ears, only the soft voice of Jim Morton sending out words of encouragement.

Times Change.

How the world had changed. Now 12,000 countrymen were wildly anxious to shout me on to victory, and outside the whole world awaited the beginning of the story which would tell them how the battle was progressing.

My seconds were fitting on my gloves. Would these mitts help me punch my way to victory? Or would they be raised in a vain attempt to ward off defeat?

"How are you, Elky?" asked Tommy.

"Fine."

"You sure look to me a winner," commented Charlie.

"I'm going to try hard enough."

"Atta boy."

And from the sea of faces came another roar of encouragement.

The announcer is busy now. He is making the formal introductions. His voice is so even, so well controlled. He, at least, feels no excitement. He's case-hardened, no doubt. It's no new thing, not by a long way, to introduce the men to do battle for world honour.

"Fidel La Barba, American flyweight champion of the world," the announcer's voice sings out and is heard even above the great applause which greets the mention of the champion's name.

"Elky Clark, Scotland, flyweight champion of Europe."

"Seconds Out of the Ring."

Again the voice of Scotland thunders out. I rise in acknowledgment, and clasp my gloved hands in the air.

The referee calls us over. He counsels us and asks for a good fight, one worthy of the occasion. La Barba and I shake hands. There is a serious expression on his face. Perhaps it is only a reflection of my own. We nod our heads, and go back to our corners.

My dressing gown slips from my shoulders. I catch hold of the ropes, and shuffle my feet in the resin.

I am very cool. My mind is just as it was before my previous fights. I no longer see the thousands which crowd the auditorium; only in a subconscious way do I hear the continuous cheers of excitement. I am the fighter now, ready for the boy in the other corner, as he is ready for me.

[To Be Continued To-morrow.]

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Shots For	Shots Agst.	Pts.
K.B.G.C.	9	6	1	2	502	479	13
K.C.C.	9	6	0	3	582	488	12
Recreio	9	6	0	3	541	521	12
Taikoo R.C.	9	5	1	3	600	481	11
C.C.C.	9	4	0	5	510	539	8
C.S.C.C.	9	4	0	5	488	520	8
Yacht C.	9	2	2	5	491	518	6

K.C.C. IN CLOSE GAME WITH RECREIO.

Bowling Green Beat the Police.

LAWN BOWLS.

Owing to the inclement weather, only two games in the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League were played on Saturday.

The Police looked like winning their first game against the K.B.G.C. but they, accountably, fell away after an interval necessitated by a downpour of rain, and lost by 10 shots — very lucky for their opponents.

The K.C.C. had all their work cut out to beat the Club de Recreio, who were perhaps a trifle unlucky to lose by only one shot.

Details are as under:—

League I.

RECREIO v. KOWLOON C.C.

On their own green, the Club de Recreio lost to Kowloon C.C. by one shot.

Scores:—

Recreio.		Kowloon C.C.	
C. G. Silva		E. C. Fincher	
L. Marques		J. A. Howe	
A. H. Basto		J. Hyde	
O. Silva (Skip)	16	A. E. Silkstone (Skip)	25
E. L. Barros		H. Hampton	
P. Yvanovich		C. J. Tacchi	
C. E. Marques		A. Hyde-Lay	
L. Gutierrez (Skip)	21	J. Fraser (Skip)	18
A. S. Gomes		F. Goodwin	
R. R. Robarts		H. Overy	
L. C. R. Souza		J. C. Lyal	
R. F. Luz (Skip)	21	J. Gibson (Skip)	16
	58		59

POLICE R.C. v. K.B.G.C.

Playing on their own rinks, the Police Recreation Club registered another defeat, when they met the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, to whom they went down by only 10 shots.

Scores:—

Police R.C.		Bowling Green.	
W. McHardy		A. K. Taylor	
W. Clark		T. S. W. West	
A. N. Reynolds		G. E. Roylance	
J. C. West (Skip)	20	D. F. Warren (Skip)	15
T. Gooding		S. Eccleshall	
Johnson		G. F. Sherriff	
J. Shepherd		H. Nish	
W. Muir (Skip)	17	W. Russell (Skip)	18
W. S. Dall		G. J. Chambers	
A. R. Brittain		R. S. Nichol	
J. Orem		E. W. L. Hogbin	
F. E. E. Booker (Skip)	10	L. Guy (Skip)	24
	47		57

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Shots For	Shots Agst.	Pts.
K.C.C.	10	10	0	0	611	521	20
C.C.C.	9	8	0	1	571	444	16
Taikoo R.C.	9	6	0	3	587	469	12
Recreio	10	4	0	6	568	556	8
C.S.C.C.	9	4	0	5	501	537	8
K.B.G.C.	10	4	0	6	538	597	8
K. Dock	10	3	0	7	544	598	6
Police R.C.	11	0	0	11	532	695	0

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—The Bandolero (Stuart) .....Sung by Peter Dawson

C1661—Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 14 (1st & 2nd Records) (Liszt)
Pianoforte Solo by Mark Hamburg

C1662—Introduction and Allegro for Harp with Strings and Woodwind Accompaniment (1st & 2nd Records) (Ravel)
Virtuoso String Quartet

C1663—Introduction and Allegro for Harp with Strings and Woodwind Accompaniment (3rd Record) (Ravel) .....Virtuoso String Quartet
—Novelette—No. 3 (Bridge) .....Virtuoso String Quartet

C1665—"Wake Up and Dream"—Vocal Gems (Porter)
"Mister Cinders"—Vocal Gems (Ellis & Myers) Light Opera Company

C1668—Yet Doth the Lord See It Not ("Elijah"—Mendelssohn) Light Opera Company
—Help, Lord! ("Elijah"—Mendelssohn) .....Royal Choral Society

C1669—Baal, We Cry to Thee ("Elijah"—Mendelssohn) Royal Choral Society
—Blessed are the Men Who Fear Him ("Ejilah"—Mendelssohn) Royal Choral Society

C1671—Behold! God the Lord ("Elijah"—Mendelssohn) Royal Choral Society
—And Then Shall Your Light Break Forth ("Elijah"—Mendelssohn) Royal Choral Society

C1682—Jolly Fellows—Waltz (Vollstedt) ..International Novelty Orchestra
—Amoureuse—Waltz (Berger) .....International Novelty Orchestra

C1683—"Hold Everything"—Selection (De Sylva, Brown & Henderson) New Mayfair Orchestra
—She's Funny That Way (Moret) .....New Mayfair Orchestra

C1684—"The Arcadians"—Vocal Gems (Monckton) ..Light Opera Company
—"Veronique"—Vocal Gems (Messager) .....Light Opera Company

C1689—The Garden of Allah (Marshall) .....Sung by Peter Dawson
—Star of the East (Lohr) .....Sung by Peter Dawson

C1690—What is Done ("The Lilac Domino"—Cuvillier) Winnie Melville & Derek Oldham
—Nocturne (Chopin, arr. Besly) ....Winnie Melville & Derek Oldham

C1702—Parted (Tosti) .....Essie Ackland
—Down the Vale (Moir) .....Essie Ackland

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C1739—Minstrel Show of 1929 (1st & 2nd Records) Darktown Melody Makers

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C1791—"The House That Jack Built"—Selection (1st & 2nd Records) (Novello) .....New Mayfair Orchestra

C1792—"Dear Love"—Selection (1st & 2nd Records) (Wood, Tunbridge & Waller) .....New Mayfair Orchestra

C1806—"Merry Widow"—Selection (1st & 2nd Records) (Lehar) Marek Weber and His Orchestra

C1807—"The Yeomen of the Guard"—Vocal Gems (1st & 2nd Records) (Sullivan) .....Light Opera Company

C1809—"Dear Love"—Vocal Gems (1st & 2nd Records) (Wood, Tunbridge & Waller) .....Light Opera Company

C1846—Medley of Chappell Ballads (1st & 2nd Records) Jack Hylton and His Orchestra

C1848—Land of Hope and Glory (Elgar) ....Essie Ackland and Mixed Choir
—Onward, Christian Soldiers (Sullivan) .Essie Ackland and Mixed Choir

C1850—Blessing, Glory and Wisdom (1st & 2nd Records (Bach) Westminster Abbey Choir

C1854—Nautical Moments (1st & 2nd Records) (Arr. Winter) The London Palladium Orchestra

C1872—"The Three Musketeers"—Selection (1st & 2nd Records) (Grey, Friml & Wodehouse) .....New Mayfair Orchestra

C1877—"Faust"—Selection (1st & 2nd Records) (Gounod) The Band of H. M. Goldstream Guards

C1878—Hallelujah ("The Mount of Olives"—Beethoven) Choir of Temple Church, London
—St. Patrick's Prayer (Burke) .....Choir of Temple Church, London

C1881—"The Maid of the Mountains"—Selection (1st & 2nd Records) (Fraser-Simson) .....The London Palladium Orchestra

C1887—"Show of Shows—Selection New Mayfair Orchestra with Edward O'Henry
—"No, No, Nanette"—Selection (Youmans) New Mayfair Orchestra with Edward O'Henry (Organ of "Madame Tussaud's" Cinema, London)

C1888—Songs of the Officers' Mess .....Jack Hylton and His Orchestra
—Tommies' War Time Memories .....Jack Hylton and His Orchestra

C1890—"The Three Musketeers"—Vocal Gems (1st & 2nd Records) (Grey, Friml & Wodehouse) .....Light Opera Company

C1893—"Happy Days"—Selection .....New Mayfair Orchestra
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C1918—"Geisha"—Selection (1st & 2nd Records) (Sidney Jones) Marek Weber & His Orchestra

C1920—"C. B. Cochran's 1930 Revue"—Vocal Gems (1st & 2nd Records) .....Light Opera Company

C1988—Midnight Review (Glinka) .....Sung by Peter Dawson
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C1989—"Miss Hook of Holland"—Vocal Gems (1st & 2nd Records) (Rubens) .....Light Opera Company

C2014—The Keys of Heaven (Broadwood) Alice Moxon & Stuart Robertson
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C2015—"The Quaker Girl"—Vocal Gems (1st & 2nd Records) (Monckton) Light Opera Company

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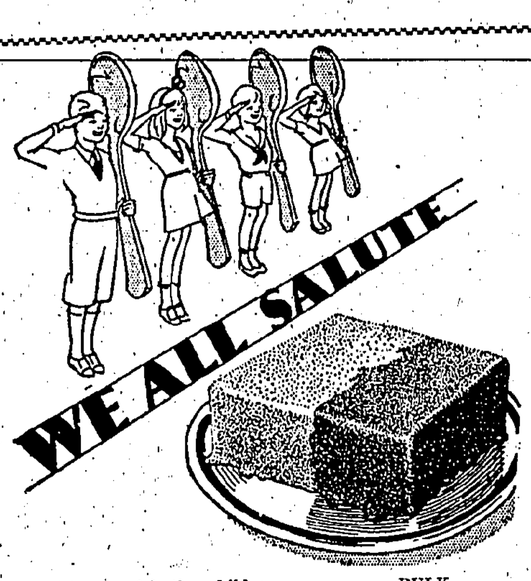

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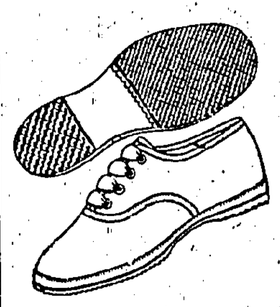

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DEATH.

LOKE.—On Saturday, July 11, at 10.30 a.m. at his residence, No. 29, Upper Pickering Street, Loke Yan Kit also known as Loke Thau Nam of Chop Cheong Heng and Chop Cheong Yip Thong, aged 83. Deceased left 4 widows, 6 sons (Chan Tok, Chan Hoi, Chan Kuan, Chan Hing, Chan Hee and Chan Whye), 3 daughters (Koi Chuen, Moon Wai and Wai Lan), 18 grandsons and 9 grand-daughters to mourn his loss. Deeply regretted. Funeral will be announced later.

Hong Kong, Monday, July 20, 1931.

Hope for Germany?

To-day's news from the European economic front is hopeful. The Germans, at least, are hopeful; and a feeling of optimism pervades official circles in Washington. The proposed moratorium, it has to be remembered, is only for the duration of one year—not one decade as one might almost imagine from the flood of comment and controversy created thereby. The pessimists may not be so far wrong in warning us that, in itself, the United States proposal means nothing more than the avoidance of a frightful catastrophe. Germany was tottering on the edge of a precipice, and had she gone over (as she probably would) she would have dragged down with her several of the smaller Central European States. That would have been a disaster for the whole world. The proposal for a moratorium, if it is finally accepted, even with some pro-French modification, will at least postpone that disaster for about a year. That is all we are entitled to say of it.

It is, indeed, only the certainty of that disaster that has elicited the proposal and leads us to look for general acceptance. Nothing but a clear perception of the need to save Germany will induce France to suffer a net loss of 25 millions in the coming year, and even in Britain the loss of several millions of revenue, which will have to be made good by taxation, should be a sufficiently sobering prospect.

We should be all the more quickly sobered when we consider Britain's own internal situation. Three weeks ago the Government demanded power to borrow another 25 millions for the unemployment Insurance Fund, which will make the total indebtedness of that Fund 115 millions. The Government also asked authority to extend the system of "transitional benefit," which is a direct charge on the Exchequer, for another six months.

It is not extravagant to say that these demands represent the sheer bankruptcy of British national finance, and the outlook is made yet more black by the fact that the Government holds out no hope of effective dealing with the situation. It is not going to reform the unemployment insurance system; Miss Bondfield has confessed as much.

To throw cold water on a revival of hope, after all this weary time of hope deferred, is an ungrateful task, but it is an imperative necessity that Britons should keep their heads. This present reaction from sheer despair is indeed welcome, but Britons at Home must not let it carry them into feverish illusions. Meanwhile we out here can do no more than await the cables during the next few days and still hope that, even for one short year, an economic respite will be given even to those European nations who have become imbogged through their own idiocy in originating the War.

News in Brief.

In the Chinese Diary to-day is "Feast of Heavenly Gifts."

Two Chinese cases of typhoid fever were notified during the week-end.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 81 degrees. The humidity was 91 at 10 a.m. and 75 at 4 p.m. The rainfall between these hours was 0.82 inch.

Mr. J. Vincent Braga, during the past 21 years General Agent for the N.Y.K. Los Angeles, has resigned from August 1 and will be associated with the D. F. Robertson Travel Bureau.

NO HOPE FOR COPRA?

Combine That Has Come to Stay.

"Most of the things which alarm coconut planters to-day are of a transient character—with other economic abnormalities they will pass away," writes Mr. R. W. Robson, from London, to the Pacific Island Monthly. "But the Combine, I fear, is here to stay.

"At the present time it is completely in command of the European market. Over-production, chaotic economic conditions and buyers' weakness—all have given it a hold of the market."

Mr. Robson adds that "in a world of combines, Unilever is among the most powerful. It dominates the soap and margarine industries of Europe—few if any manufacturers of importance are now operating against it. Its operations extend over the whole world, and it controls almost every selling market—except possibly those in North America.

Growth of the Combine.

"The growth of the Unilever Combine can be traced from developments during the war. Originally there were two big operators in the copra market—Jergen and Vandenberg—both Dutch. During the war, while the competing firms of the combatant nations were otherwise occupied, these two big concerns got together and bought a controlling interest in certain German mills.

"After the war, a strong German organisation, the Heimer Combine, sprang up, and took control of mills in Czecho-Slovakia, Austria and Switzerland. It fought the Dutch Combine, and competition was healthy. But the next move was bad—there came a Jergen-Vandenberg-Heimer combination, which gave them control of the margarine industry in nearly every country. They bought a mill in Latvia, a controlling interest in two big mills in Sweden, and, in the latter end of 1930, they got control of the Norwegian mills.

Margarine Union.

"Meanwhile, the Continental organisation had linked up with British manufacturers—and so we obtain the famous "Margarine Union," controlling margarine manufacture and distribution throughout Europe, and, in the copra market, buying for the mills of Britain, Scandinavia, Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Austria and Czecho-Slovakia.

"During this period Lever Brothers were creating in the soap making industry of Europe the same dominant organisation that the Dutch-German Combine had brought into being in the margarine business. Since their chief raw materials were the same, it was inevitable that the Margarine Union and Lever Brothers should come—close—together—either—as friends or enemies. To the discomfiture of the oil seed producers of the world, they amalgamated their interests. And thus Unilever was born, less than two years ago.

Over-Production Favours Unilever.

"No arguments or figures of mine are needed to show how Unilever can command the European copra market. Even in normal times, the concentration of so much buying power in the one organisation must have adversely affected sellers' interests. But, if all the high gods had combined to arrange favourable conditions for the advent of Unilever in the raw materials market, they could not have improved the position as Unilever found it in 1930. The phenomenal over-production of every kind of oil-seed, and of whale-oil, simply invited Unilever to pay what it liked for copra and all allied commodities. Unilever, naturally took full advantage of its opportunities, and has established itself, firmly and permanently, as the most powerful factor governing the European copra market.

"Unilever completely controls the selling price of copra in Northern Europe. The Marseilles group of copra buyers is independent of the Combine, and provides the chief market for the South Seas product. But the Marseilles market absorbs only 100,000 tons of copra annually, and the buyers there naturally take advantage of the favourable prices created by Unilever operations.

"The American market is said to have maintained independence. But I was told in London in January that negotiations had been in progress between Unilever and some of the chief American consumers of vegetable oils.

Continental Mills.

"The whole aspect of the coconut oil producing industry has altered in Europe. At one time a large proportion of the copra sold in Europe went to British mills. To-day, the London mills are crushing less than 1,000 tons per week. The work is being done in the Continental mills. The London brokers who deal in copra are now much reduced in numbers.

The Future.

What of the future?

Here (if I may recapitulate) are the chief factors which have brought about this depressed copra market.

1. A general inability to buy, the result of the world's economic sickness. That is a temporary condition and will presently pass away.

2. Huge over-production of oil-seeds and whale-oil. That also, is a temporary condition. The fall in prices to the level of production cost, and below, will inevitably reduce production, and price-levels will swing back again.

3. The treatment of soft oils so that they may be used as hard oils, in place of coconut oil. This appears to be a permanent condition, and must be faced.

Margarine-makers now can, and do, use up to 70 per cent. of whale oil. It comes down to a question of price. To obtain a hardened refined oil from whale-oil, costs £6 per ton. To get a refined, deodorised coconut oil from copra costs £15 per ton. It is calculated that the absolute nett cost of producing whale-oil is £15 per ton. For comparison the figures might be arranged this way:

	Copra per ton.	Whale-oil per ton.
Nett cost of production	£10	£10
Cost of refining oil	15	6
Nett cost of refined oil	25	21

The report that Unilever now proposes to send its own whaling equipment to Antarctica, thus cutting out the Norwegian enterprises and the Norwegians' profits is significant and disturbing.

4. The domination of the market by the Unilever Combine.

It is apparent that Unilever plans to hold control of the market by balancing whale-oil against vegetable-oil.

This is easy, under the present depressed conditions; but it will not be so easy, once the economic pendulum swings back—as it inevitably will at an early date—and the world regains its buying capacity.

FAR EAST GOLD.

America's Imports Last Year.

The general economic and financial situation of the United States during 1930, with detailed descriptions of the country's external trade, basic industries, agriculture, transport, communications, and labour conditions, is reviewed in a White Paper issued by the Department of Overseas Trade: "Economic Conditions in the United States of America." The report is written by Sir J. Joyce Broderick, until recently Commercial Counsellor to the British Embassy at Washington, and Mr. Arthur. J. Pack, Commercial Secretary to the Embassy.

On the subject of gold and silver the report says:

In January and August, 1930, the monthly averages of the daily quotations on sterling were a little above par. In the remaining months the averages showed a slight discount, the weakness being maintained in the last three months of the year, in spite of the fact that during that period interest rates in New York were lower than those obtained in London. Gold movements between the two centres during the 12 months were so small as to be negligible. Total imports of gold by the United States during the 12 months ended last December amounted to $396,054,000 (£79,210,800), the principal contributing countries being Japan, Brazil, China, and Hong Kong.

Exports of gold during the same 12 months included over $73,000,000 (£14,600,000) worth to France and over $36,000,000 (£7,200,000) worth to Canada, and amounted in all to $115,967,000 (£23,193,400). Preliminary estimates of the stock of monetary gold in the United States placed the total as at the end of December, 1930, at $4,593,000,000 (£906,600,000), as compared with $4,284,000,000 (£856,800,000) at the close of 1929.

Reference is made in the report to the silver question, which "promises to develop into an international concern of the first magnitude." The principal causes assigned for the remarkable slump, it says, are the general decline in world price levels, continued heavy output by silver-producing countries, the abandonment of the silver standard by British India, the sale on the open market of Indian surplus stocks of the metal, proposals for demonetization of silver in Indo-China, Persia and Hong Kong and, finally, the persistence of political disturbance in China. However responsibility for the price debacle may be allocated between those various factors, the effect of the decline was heavily felt in the Chinese silver currencies, which are now at lower exchange points than have ever before been recorded.

GREAT BRITAIN NOT STAGNANT.

Increase in Production Efficiency.

The adverse criticism of Great Britain as an industrial and business nation made by M. Siegfried in his book, "England's Crisis," are examined by the monthly Review of the Midland Bank for May-June, which comes to the conclusion that most of that writer's generalisations "can be set aside as worthless except to the extent that they help to concentrate attention upon weakness in specific sections of our organisation, as against the whole."

The title of the monthly Review's article is "The Brighter Side of England's Crisis," and the question it asks is, "Is there a brighter side to the picture?" It replies with emphasis that there is. With regard to productive efficiency, it points out that one of the most striking facts established by official economic statistics is the substantial increase in output per head, considering industry as a whole since 1924, probably our best post-War year.

Productive Equipment Better.

There are several responsible factors, but among them undoubtedly has to be reckoned a great improvement in productive equipment. It is quite wrong to suggest that British plant and machinery as a whole are hopelessly out of date. Indeed, even in the iron and steel industry, of which M. Siegfried is so critical, a delegation from the Economic Advisory Council found that British equipment would bear comparison, by no means to its disfavour, with that of Germany, Czecho-Slovakia, Belgium, Luxembourg and France.

Anyone, too, who visits a modern British shipbuilding yard or engineering works will see many achieved by the relatively recent instances of striking economies installation of improved plant and machinery. The process of cheapening output and concentrating production in the conditions most favourable to efficiency has achieved substantial progress, too, through what is commonly described as rationalisation.

Re-direction of Industry.

"Further," says the Review, "when we take our eyes for a moment off the older, more seriously depressed and perplexed industries, we can hardly fail to be struck by the progress, truly amazing in some respects, of new industries. Motors, aircraft, artificial silk, gramophones, and many other products have leapt into positions of prominence in our industrial structure. M. Siegfried notices this development, but fails to keep before him the logical deduction from it.

"Our engineers may be unenterprising, unlearned, unpractical, inefficient, inferior to those of France or the United States, but the curious fact is that British machines have established many records which could have been achieved only by superior design and workmanship; and that British cars, motor-cycles, and aeroplanes, for example, are exported in large numbers, side by side with the still considerable exports of older vehicles such as bicycles and locomotives."

The Review finds further striking evidence of readjustment in the field of power and transport, with special reference to the national scheme of electrical development—probably, it says, the greatest plan of deliberate, co-ordinated economic and social reorganisation ever undertaken in this country. "A study of all these facts," the article sums up, "could hardly fail to carry conviction that Britain is rapidly becoming a vastly more efficient productive unit—different, certainly, from what it was, but not necessarily less progressive on that account."

Normal working of cables with Shanghai and beyond has been re-established.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of July 20, 1921.]

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Yesterday afternoon's water polo game at the R.H.K.Y.C. Club-house resulted in a walk over for the Wilts men. The "Royals" unfortunately were only able to field two of the players who had been selected to represent the Club, and the other five places had to be filled up with bathers picked at random. For the Club, Finch worked like a Trojan, but could only manage one goal, and after Le Hurey had scored two more, the Wiltshires found themselves the winners by 7 goals to one.

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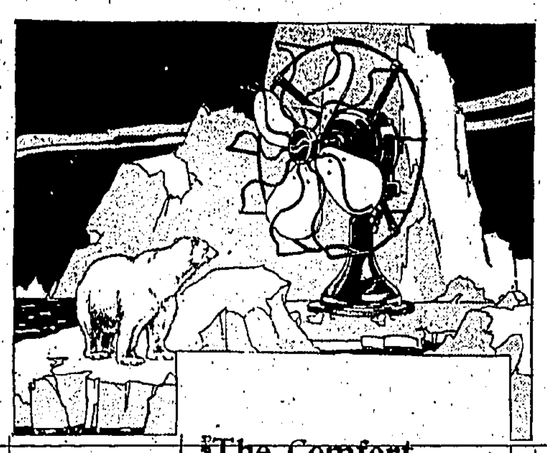

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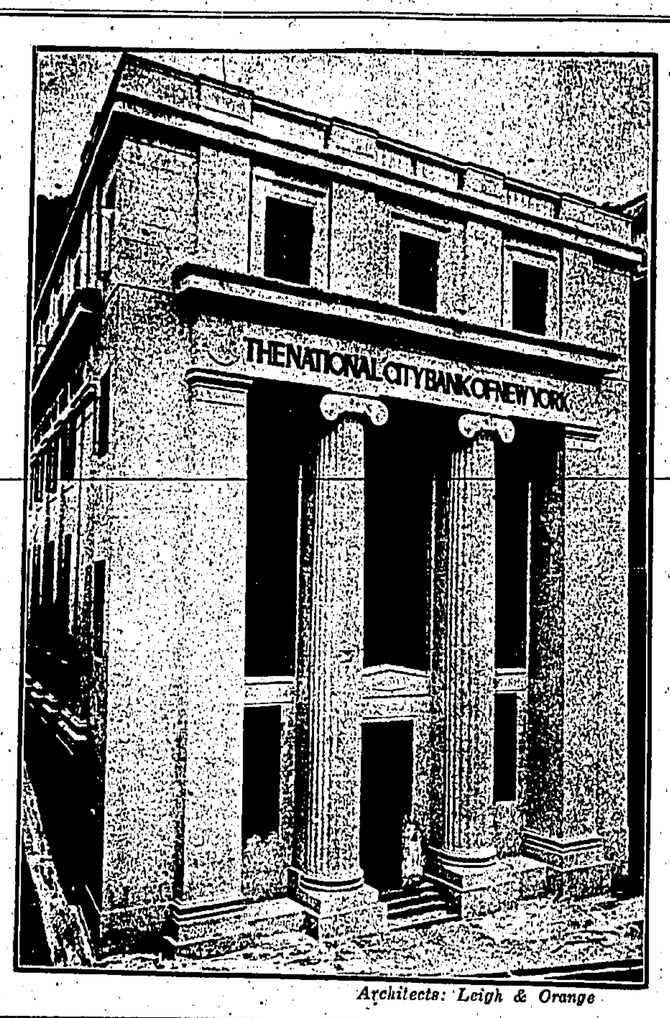

Architects: Leigh & Orange

ANOTHER addition to the rapidly-growing number of modern commercial buildings in the Colony is the National City Bank of New York, which has now formally entered into possession of their new premises at 2, Queen's Road, Central. The building occupies the block between Duddell Street and Ice House Street, and embodies many new and arresting features of design and decoration.

Inspection of the new building shows, that now that this granite structure is finished one can see the true value of accurate proportions when modelling a modern building on classic lines. This all stone building was constructed by Messrs. Kien On & Company of Stanley Street who have certainly achieved excellent results. The foundations of this building are supported on Raymond Concrete Piles, which were driven by the Hong Kong Excavation & Pile Driving & Construction Co., Ltd.

The entasis to the columns and to the pilasters, the delicate yet strong sweep in the scrolls to the capitals, and weight of the entablature all help to make it a very fine exposition of the Ionic Order.

The building had to be erected in two halves, as the rear portion was in occupation during the construction of the front half. This considerably delayed matters, and in addition to this a spring had to be coped with.

Modern Banking Hall.

The banking hall is on the modern American principal, very light and open, the only grills being around the "tellers" cages. The counter is of marble with bronze brackets, the pilasters and dado is also of marble, and the floor of mosaic tiles.

The bronze railing all round the mezzanine floor, which is on three sides of the hall, and the tellers cages is of cast bronze and are very fine samples of local castings manufactured at Messrs. Dodwell and Company's workshops to the architects design. The entrance in Duddell Street serves the two office floors above, and the caretaker's flat which is on the roof.

The proportion of the building was considered to be if more importance for this type of building than the maximum number of floors, and the resultant appearance of the classic order with the attic over has shown the wisdom of this policy.

Unique Lighting.

The lighting system in the banking hall in worthy of especial note. Two large electroleux made by the Westinghouse Electric Co., and installed by Messrs. Reiss Massey & Co., the local agents for Messrs. Westinghouse Electric Co., are suspended from the ceiling. These electroleux are unique, being the only ones of this particular design ever made. The light supplied by each fitting is 5,000 candle power. In addition there are a number of smaller lights made to harmonise with the surrounding decorations.

The smaller fittings, constructed in a similar manner, match the two larger ones. In the manager's room there is yet another unique lighting arrangement, a very attractive electroleux of peculiar design. A similar one also lights the compradore's office. Throughout the whole building all the lighting is concealed.

Ceiling Fans.

Ceiling fans, also supplied by Messrs. Westinghouse Electric Co., (Agents, Reiss, Massey & Co.) are of the standard pattern, but finished off in white to match the surroundings. There are also a number of Westinghouse oscillating wall fans, ensuring a current of cool air throughout the building.

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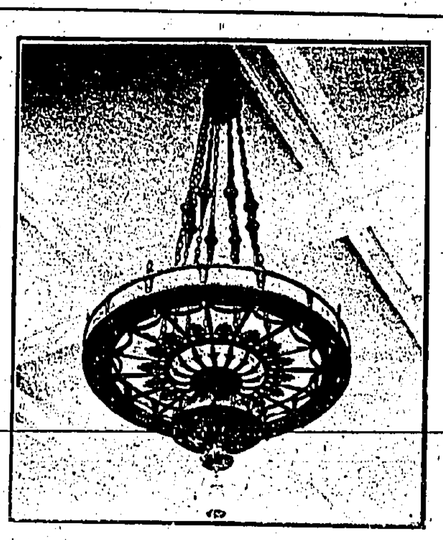

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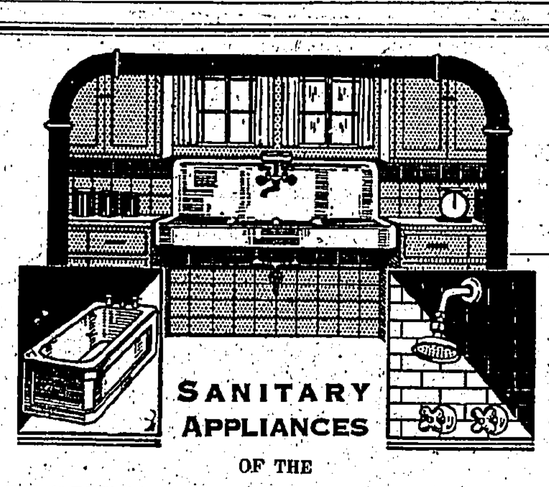

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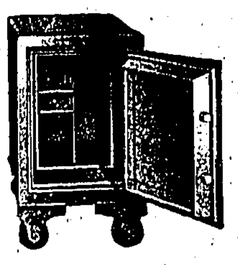

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Record Year.

These 1930 figures were the largest in the history of the bank with the exception of the record year of 1929, in which year the deposits of the bank were exceeded by only two commercial banks in the world, The Midland Bank and Lloyd's Bank. Registered shareholders in the bank numbered 68,491 at the end of 1930. During the depressed times prevailing last year, The National City Bank felt that its usual policy of maintaining a high degree of liquidity should be pushed even further. Consequently, at a constant sacrifice of interest rate, the bank maintained for the year an average aggregate of cash, street call loans, bills eligible for immediate discount, and bonds eligible for borrowing at the Federal Reserve Bank, amounting to over 67 per cent. of net demand and thrift deposits at Head Office and domestic branches.

Branches.

Abroad equal attention was given to the maintenance of liquidity in foreign branches. The bank has added new branches from time to time until it now has 52 branches in New York City alone and about 90 in other countries.

The branches of the National City Bank of New York (France) S.A. looks after the bank's clients in France. The bank also has the following affiliates:—

City Bank Farmers Trust Co. (New York and London).

International Banking Corporation (Branches in San Francisco, London, Madrid and Barcelona).

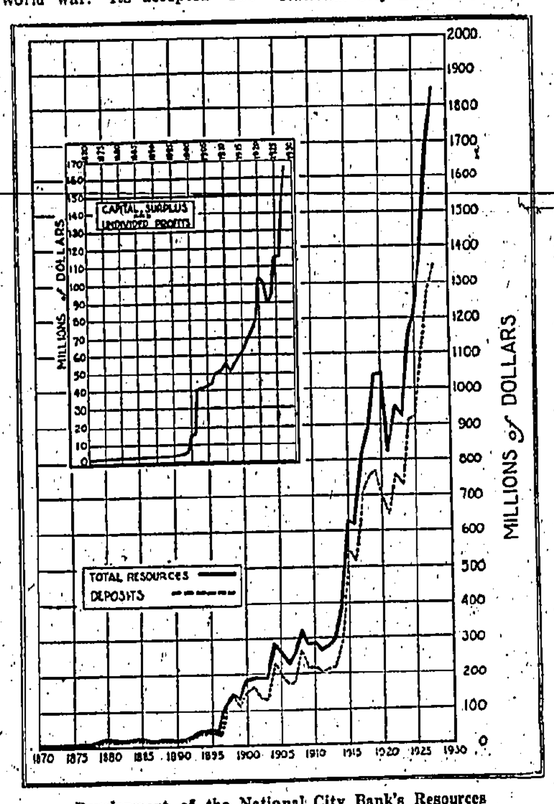
The National City Company (Branches in the principal cities of the U.S. and Canada).

Banque National de la Republique D'Haiti (Branches in Haiti).

The National City Safe Deposit Co.

The most important recent development in the bank's growth was the formation of the City Bank Farmers Trust Co. in 1929 by the taking over of the Farmers Loan & Trust Co. The bank took over the commercial business of the latter institution, and to carry on its other business (trusts, custodianships, wills etc.), formed the City Bank Farmers Trust Co. The Farmers Loan & Trust Co. was the oldest Trust Company in America, being founded in 1822. Its relations with The National City Bank of New York had always been close, officers of one institution having been at various times directors of the other. The Trust Company took an important part in financing the world war. Its accepted subscriptions to several Liberty Loans amounted to over a hundred million dollars. It was appointed Trustee in connection with the British Government's first secured loan of US$250,000,000 in the United States, and the London office was appointed bankers in London of the United States Navy.

The bank's entrance into Hong Kong business circles was made through the International Banking Corporation. The latter Corporation began business in Hong Kong in 1902 and carried on until The National City Bank of New York decided to do business under its own name in Hong Kong at the beginning of 1927. However, the International Banking Corporation had at that time already been the property of The National City Bank of New York for more than ten years. The International Banking Corporation is yet locally represented in Hong Kong in the offices of The National City Bank of New York.



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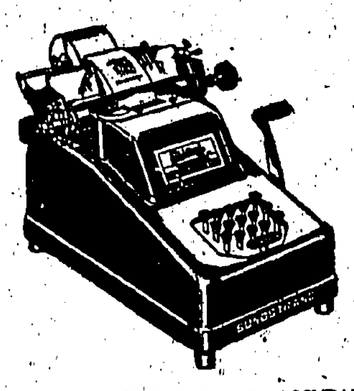

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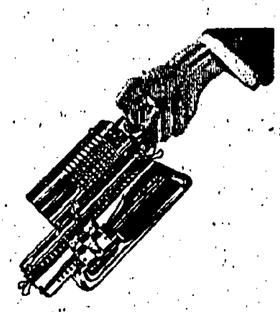

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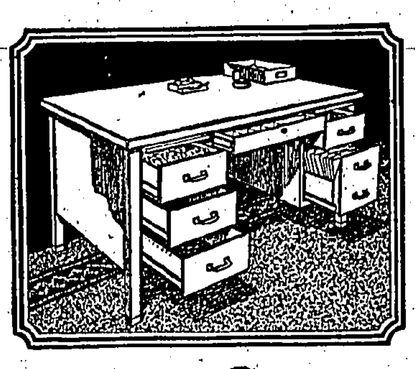

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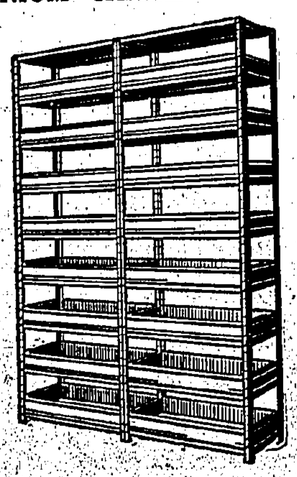

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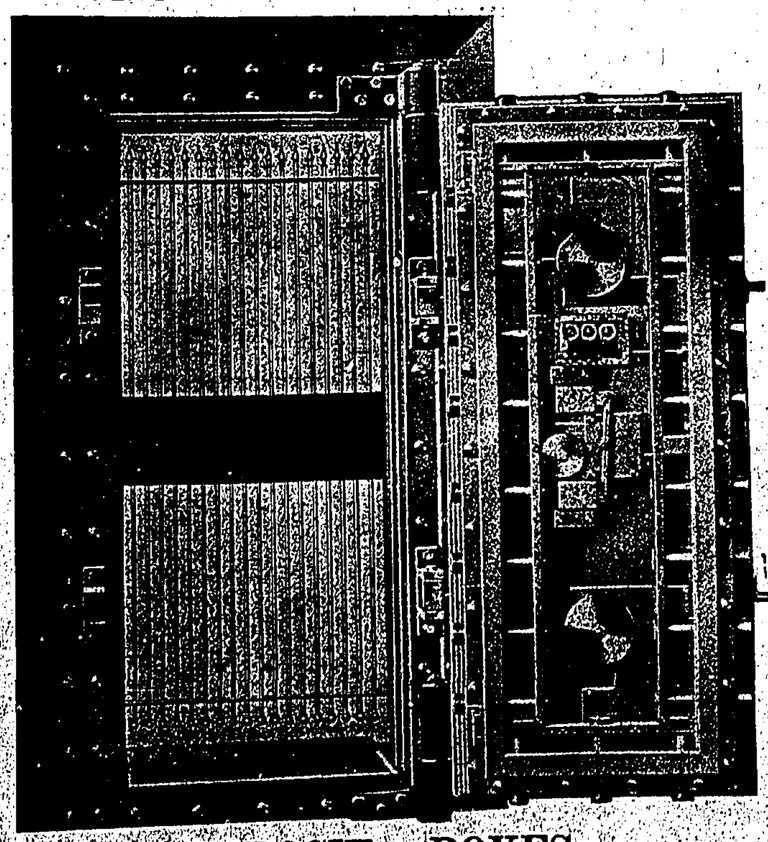

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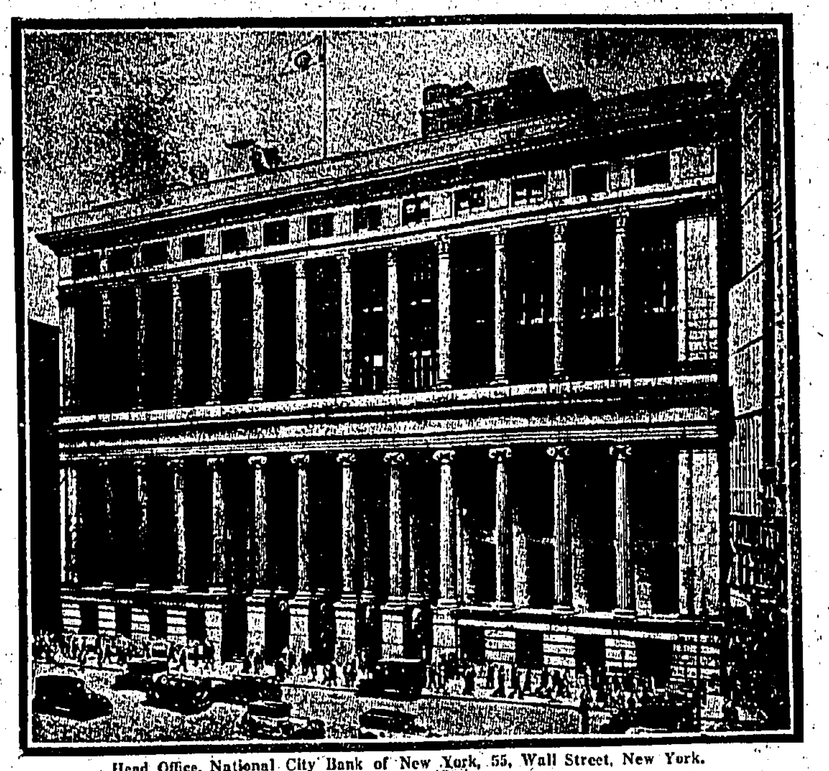
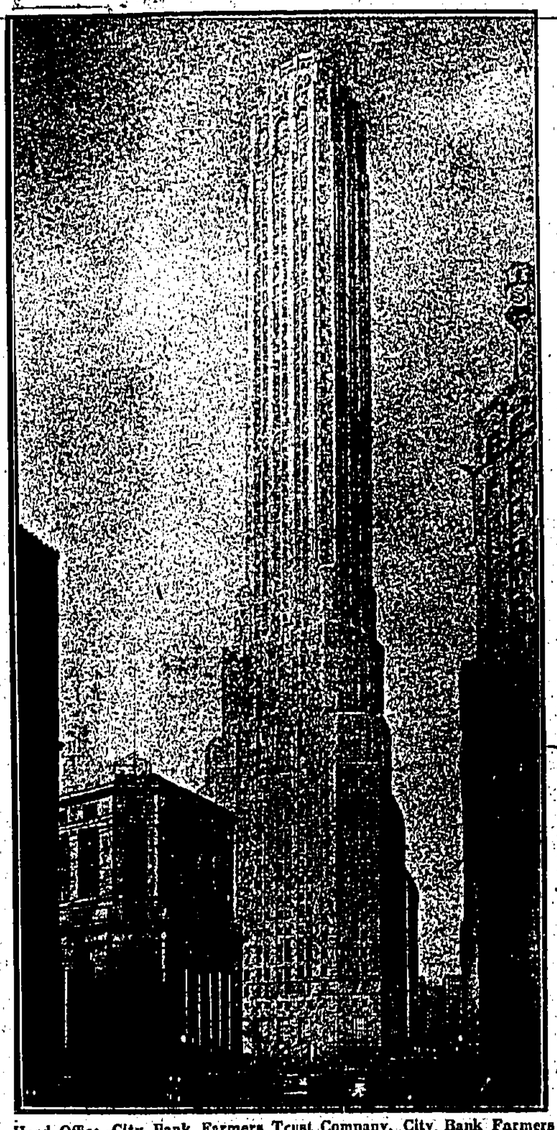


Head Office, National City Bank of New York, 55, Wall Street, New York.

Mr. GORDON S. RENTSCHLER, President of the National City Bank of New York. In addition to his National City activities, Mr. Rentschler is chairman of the board of Hoover, Owens Rentschler & Co., and a director of Niles-Bement-Pond; United Aircraft & Transport Corporation; and General Machinery Corporation.

MR. CHARLES E. MITCHELL, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National City Bank of New York, The National City Company and the City Bank Farmers Trust Company.



Head Office, City Bank Farmers Trust Company, City Bank Farmers Trust Building, 22, William Street, New York.

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The Heating Installation is a Low Pressure Hot Water Accelerated System and consists of two units, one for heating the whole building and the other for airing and drying the Vaults and Stores in the Basement. These installations are inter-connected and may be operated in conjunction or independently as required. Radiators of the latest design are installed on all floors.

Heat is generated in the Boilers by "Ray" Oil Burners of the Semi Automatic Type on the most modern lines. Messrs. Reiss, Massey & Co. are Sole Agents for the W. S. Ray Manufacturing Co. for Hong Kong and South China. The same firm also supplied and installed the whole of the Sanitary Equipment, together with complete pumping outfit.

Artistic Tiling.

Messrs. C. E. Warren enhanced the beauty of the building to no small measure with their artistic workmanship. They supplied and laid the Malkin Roman Mosaics in the banking hall and the beautiful art tile dados on the main staircases.

The Terrazzo on the staircases and lavatories was also supplied by them, while they were responsible for the fixing of the Italian marble and bronze capitals supplied by Raoul Biazzi whose local agents are now Messrs. Reiss Massey & Co.

Messrs. Wm. C. Jack & Co., Ltd., the well known local electrical engineers were responsible for the electrical wiring of the whole premises, while the Messrs. Jardine Engineering Corporation, Ltd., installed the "Merryweather" fire extinguishers.

Up-to-Date Vaults.

The vaults under the banking hall are perhaps the most solid constructed in Hong Kong. To give greater headroom the supports are of the mushroom type thus dispensing with over head beams. A corridor runs completely around the vaults isolating them and a system of mirrors allows the whole of this corridor to be viewed by the watchman on duty.

Bank Vault Entrance.

At this period of science and engineering progress, the achievement of success in the construction of vaults and strong rooms has attained a great height. This applies mainly to the entrance of such a strong room or bank vault where every conceivable and up-to-date device is adapted for security.

The vault entrance of the new National City Bank, constructed by York Safe and Lock Company, who are represented in Hong Kong by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., is the latest vestibule entrance in this type of engineering construction.

Having a thickness of ten inches, this entrance contains combination locks, time locks, bolt work and pressure system. The door itself is built in five layers, with a finishing plate of ¼". The first layer is 1¼" open hearth steel casting, second layer 5½" Intrusite, third layer ¼" hard chemical compound, fourth layer ¼" plate, fifth layer 1¼" open hearth steel casting with a finishing plate of one quarter of an inch thickness. The Intrusite (non-burning metal) is a metal of a highly refractory alloy perfected after exhaustive experiments and tests and is manufactured only by the York Safe and Lock Company. It is more highly refractory than any other metal alloy and affords the maximum protection against attack by means of the oxy-acetylene cutter burner.

Messrs. Lane Crawford have also supplied the steel office equipment manufactured by the General Fire Proofing Co., consisting of steel vaults, steel cabinets, typewriting desks, roll top desks, standing desks, tables, chairs, filing cabinets, bank counters, steel shelving, telephone cabinets, document files, storage cabinets, aluminium chairs, etc., etc.

Elevator Installation.

The new National City Bank building is equipped with two Otis Elevators, one for passenger service to all floors and one for the Bank only, serving basement, ground and mezzanine floors.

The Passenger Elevator is operated during business hours by an attendant and at other times, by means of a change-over switch, as an automatic push button machine. The cage is made of pressed steel by the Tyler Company, with the latest patent Otis Safety Gate.

This Elevator is installed in the stairwell and the ornamental wrought iron enclosure was made in Messrs. Dodwell & Company's own workshop to the Architect's own design.

The Elevator is capable of carrying 5 passengers at a speed of 200 F.P.M. when operated by an attendant, and 100 F.P.M. when it is switched over to the automatic control.

Latest Levelling.

The Elevator in the Bank, known as the Bullion Elevator, is automatically self-levelling, and this is essential on account of the heavily laden trucks which will be wheeled in and out of the cage. This self-levelling device automatically comes into operation once the attendant, or in this case the push button control, stops the cage anywhere within one foot above or below the floor. The levelling device works to such fine limits that it will come into operation if the cage floor is as little as ½" out of level, and it is claimed by the Otis Elevator Company that their patent micro self-levelling apparatus is the only effectual means of carrying out this operation.

Messrs. Dodwell & Company, who are Agents for Messrs. Waygood-Otis of London, and their associates, the Otis Elevator Company of New York, have installed 18 Micro Drive Elevators in Hong Kong, and the time saved by the accurate stops at floor levels, the lower current consumption on account of the small number of starts, and the saving of wear and tear to the machine, amply compensates for the initial first cost.

This Bullion Elevator will lift 1,800 lbs. at 100 F.P.M. and the operation is automatic push button.

Third Lift Installed.

The extremely handsome pressed steel Elevator Door and the adjacent door at the head of the steps, leading to the vaults, were supplied by the Tyler Company who also supplied the cage for the Bullion Elevator.

A third Elevator will shortly be installed in the Banking premises, from the ground to the mezzanine floor and this will comprise the latest type of automatic equipment.

When the passenger enters the car all he has to do is to press the button corresponding to the floor to which he wishes to travel and the steel door on the landing and the safety gate in the cage will immediately close automatically. On arrival at the desired floor, the landing door and gate will then automatically open without any exertion on the part of the passenger. This gate and door operator has only just been put on the market and will be the first one to be installed in the Far East. Here again the Elevator and auxiliary equipment are supplied by the Otis Elevator Company.

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WHY DEMOCRACY FAILS

Our Irresponsible Electors.

VOTE HUNTING IN BRITAIN.

By most people in Britain a generation ago democracy was regarded as the ideal form of Government. Whether that is still the faith of to-day has become more than doubtful. Everywhere one finds signs of dissatisfaction at the actual achievements of democratic government.

The House of Commons has ceased to command the respect which it held for many centuries, and comparatively few people trouble to read the reports of its debates. In other countries there is even stronger evidence of dissatisfaction with democracy, and several countries have adopted a dictatorship as a means of escape, writes Harold Cox, the famous economist, in the Sunday Times.

Two books on the general problems of democracy have recently been issued. One is by Lord Eustace Percy, M.P., entitled "Democracy on Trial" (Bodley Head, 7s. 6d.). The other is by Mr. Alderton Pink entitled "A Realist Looks at Democracy" (Benn, 10s. 6d.). Both books state the essential facts very clearly. Lord Eustace Percy, at the outset, lays his finger on the primary defect of the present constitution of the House of Commons — namely, that it is elected by a body of people who have no financial responsibility for the votes they give. There are now some 28,000,000 electors in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and of these only some 3½ million pay direct taxes. Thus the vast majority of the electorate is not conscious of making any definite contribution to the cost of the State, and so far as it values its voting power at all, values it merely for the purpose of extorting promises of favours from vote-hunting politicians, Lord Eustace Percy goes so far as to say that the power of taxation exercised by the present House of Commons is as arbitrary as the levy of ship-money by Charles I.

Bribing the Voter.

The cynicism with which many members of Parliament regard their position is almost daily in evidence. At the recent election at Woolwich both candidates appealed for the votes of workers in the Woolwich Arsenal by promises of extended employment. Neither of them ventured to suggest that a reduction of employment at Woolwich Arsenal might quite possibly be a national gain.

Lord Eustace Percy gives many instances of the futility of measures passed by a Parliament constituted as the House of Commons now is. He mentions, for example, the folly of spending millions on road-making as a means of relief for unemployment. Among his suggestions for reform is the proposal that Government business departments, like the Post Office, should be treated as public utility institutions and placed outside the direct control of Parliament. He also wants to establish an advisory council of competent people to supplement Parliament.

Mr. Alderton Pink is equally emphatic about the defects of the House of Commons. He begins by pointing out the immense progress which our country has made in scientific and industrial matters in the last half century, and then goes on to emphasise the fact that this progress has not been due to Parliament, but to individual enterprise. All that democracy produces is the professional politician.

The Pretence of Equality.

Analysing the origin of democracy, he points out quite accurately that in past days when personal sovereigns ruled the world the revolt against the tyranny which they often exercised quite naturally took the form of a demand for universal equality as the means of securing justice. We have passed beyond that stage, and to-day it is more important to recognise the "fact that in virtue of their natural endowments men are fundamentally unequal." But there are still among us some people, especially of the Socialist type, who would regard this doctrine as an insult to the multitude.

The trouble is that almost of necessity, the multitude is composed of the least valuable elements of the nation, and at the present time these elements are increasing more rapidly in number than those of a finer type. This is partly due to the relatively large families of the poorest classes; partly to the fact that our educational system, with the idea of equality behind it, is largely devoted to spending money on people who can make but little use of the education they receive. In Mr. Pink's words: "In our schools and universities we are heavily subsidising the education of many who would have mediocre or even inferior capacity, and we are thus not only wasting effort but creating serious economic and other difficulties."

Unfortunately it is much easier to emphasise the evils of the present situation than to devise a way of escape. Mr. Pink puts forward several suggestions, some of them not entirely consistent with one another. After noting the way in which some elements of the Press and some of the cinemas propagate foolish notions, he suggests that we ought to devise some means of controlling these organs of publicity. That, of course, is what Signor Mussolini is doing in Italy; but it is very doubtful indeed whether British people, with their traditional love of liberty, would tolerate such methods of control over the spread of opinion.

Counting Heads.

The only direction in which State control of the Press has recently been initiated is the prohibition of extensive reports of divorce proceedings. But there are arguments even against this form of State regulation. Admittedly it is a sign of depraved taste on the part of people who indulge in the reading of lengthy reports of a divorce case; but, on the other hand, it is only fair to the innocent party that the essential facts, directly we get up against the question of trying to improve public opinion by controlling the Press, or the cinema, or the stage, we have reached difficulties which it is not easy to solve. It would have been better if Mr. Pink had confined his attention to the improvement of our machinery of government.

The root of the trouble lies in the conferring of voting power upon persons who have no financial responsibility for the duties entrusted to them. If we could get rid of that folly we should be on the road to progress. Under the present system Parliament has lost its dignity, with the result that many of the best men in the country refrain from attempting to enter its doors. In Mr. Pink's words, the present Parliamentary system means "the enthronement of mediocrity." It is interesting to note that even the maintenance of a specially competent electorate by means of the representation given to the universities is in danger of being scrapped. Yet in the universities there is at least a chance of securing men of outstanding ability who are not merely the nominees of political parties. Mr. Pink well sums up the whole matter by saying: "So long as we believe that counting heads will do all that is required we shall make no progress towards anything better."

GERMAN CRISIS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

on Sunday morning in a conversation at the Presidence de Conseil and has accepted the invitation of the French Premier, M. Laval, to luncheon. Afterward he will leave by the afternoon train for London with a view to reporting on Sunday night to the Prime Minister in anticipation of the Cabinet meeting on Monday morning to consider the business of the conference which is due to meet at six o'clock on the same evening.

Mr. Henderson called on M. Laval this morning to report his arrangement, after which he visited Mr. H. L. Stimson, the American State Secretary.

Dr. Bruening and Dr. Curtius reach Paris this evening and will see the French Ministers. According to Paris messages this preliminary conversation will be followed by a more or less informal discussion at which not only the British and American representatives will be present but also the Italian and Belgian Ministers.

These contacts are regarded as preliminary to the London conference, the opening meeting of which on Monday night will probably be held at the Premier's residence, No. 10, Downing Street.

The American State Secretary, Mr. Stimson, is being joined at Paris by the American Treasurer, Mr. A. Mellon, who during the last few days has been in the south of France.

It is considered unlikely that any decisions will be reached prior to the assembly of the full conference in London.—British Wireless Service.

HISTORY OF NEW WORDS.

Dictionary Editor's Difficulties.

THE VALUE OF SLANG.

Some of the difficulties of finding out the origins of new words which have crept into the English language were described to a Press man by Mr. C. T. Onions, the editor of the new English Dictionary Supplement.

There is the word "gadget," for instance. "Gadget," early in the "g's", has only just been reached after something like three years' work. Investigation has shown that it was known in the 'nineties, when it was applied to a barge fitted with steam winches.

"We are always up against such problems," said Mr. Onions, "but I find that there is a ready willingness to help. We are getting a vast body of quotations to-day. I get a regular batch from a man in Australia, for instance, and there is another man in the Isle of Man who regularly sends to me. Others come from Germany and Denmark. Foreign students are very much interested in the English language.

Slang, Too.

"We invite information as to the dates of words, and three or four people have laid themselves out to supply us with information.

"We are including almost all slang, and are making an important feature of Colonial phrases.

"Words from Australia, South Africa, and Canada, besides a large number of words from the U.S.A., we shall have to treat fully. As you know, a great many American phrases have been drafted into our language.

"In the new dictionary we cover the last half century. The dictionary was commenced in the late eighties, and naturally there are omissions. Words could not be included because they were not in existence. A famous example is appendicitis.

"Barracking."

"Then there is 'barracking,' which is an interesting word because it comes under the head of Colonial uses.

"There is a tremendous increase in the vocabulary. You have 'wireless,' which is an absolutely new thing since the dictionary was begun, and the new psycho-analysis, with all its terminology.

"Another interesting word is 'googly.' Sport has contributed a number of new words, the origin for which will have to be investigated."

I asked Mr. Onions when his work would be finished. "The compiler of a dictionary is unwise if he thinks he is going to finish by certain dates, nor do we know how long the dictionary will be," was the reply.

LEGION OF HONOUR.

Too Many People in Famous Order.

THINNING OUT PROCESS.

France's Legion of Honour has too many members.

The Legion was created by Napoleon in 1802 as a reward for a few military and civilian heroes, but there are now so many heroes that the handful of members has grown to an army of 155,000, of whom 20,000 are foreigners.

Since the Order was instituted there have been two million members, and the British United Press correspondent reports that a Bill before the Chamber of Deputies aims at a severe thinning-out process. The protesting Deputies include the blind ex-soldier M. Scapini.

Each Cabinet Minister is allowed a quota, within the limits of which he can recommend the award to people he considers deserving of the honour. This right has been abused, and the civilian heroes in recent years have far outnumbered the military.

The Bill imposes restrictions on the number of honours Ministers are allowed to confer, and provides that, in every case, the candidate for promotion in the Order must be acceptable to the Council. It is also suggested that each candidate for the Cross must be known publicly and his accession to the Order accompanied by the posting of his nomination at the local Mayor's office. Numbers would be limited to:—

20 Grand Crosses,
60 Grand Officers,
250 Commanders,
2,000 officers, and
12,000 Chevaliers,

a total of 14,320. The Grand Cross is now given only to monarchs, presidents, and popular heroes of exceptional merit.

The Bill suggests that new promotions in the Legion should be made in the proportion of one new award for every two decorated persons who die.

ACTION AGAINST SWEEPS.

Prosecution of Yanks, Who Buy Tickets.

Mr. Horace Donnelly, U.S. Post Office solicitor, announced recently that hereafter the Government will rigidly enforce the laws against lotteries.

The United States, Solicitor Donnelly declared, is determined to prevent use of the mails in connection with sweepstakes.

"The use of the mails for the sale and transmission of sweepstakes tickets amounts to a national disgrace," Mr. Donnelly said in re-echoing the recent statements made on the same subjects in London by Mr. J. Ramsay MacDonald, the British Premier.

The Government, Mr. Donnelly said, intends to prosecute those who order sweepstakes tickets abroad and send the purchase money through the mails.

During recent months American interest has been keen in the Irish Hospitals sweepstakes on the Grand National and on the Derby, in the Calcutta sweeps on the Derby and in other similar lotteries. American anti-lottery laws are most strict but of late they have not been adequately enforced.

A GLASS HOUSE.

First One Built in Paris.

"SOLID AS A ROCK."

The first glass house to be inhabited for domestic purposes has just been completed in Paris, and the tenants can throw as many stones as they like without fear of doing any damage.

It is situated in the Rue St. Guillaume, near the Sorbonne, and is constructed of translucent glass which looks for all the world like an ice-built Eskimo hut.

It has been so sited that it obtains the maximum benefit of the day's sunshine, and the light-rays penetrating the glass walls give a wonderful diffused lighting effect which is delightfully restful to the eyes.

"Glass houses will be the dwellings of the future," the architect M. Pierre Chareau, told a Pressman. "The walls are as solid as rocks and for permanency brick and even stone buildings cannot be compared with them. I feel sure that the Paris of the future will have hundreds of glass houses built within courtyards which to-day hardly obtain any sunlight.

"All the inside walls of my three-storey glass house are so designed as to obtain the maximum of natural light. You cannot really see inside from outside. If you are giving a party or holding a reception, the building is so arranged that not even a shadow can be seen from outside.

"The material used is ordinary St. Gobain unpolished glass. At this time of the year the glass house is naturally lighted from 6 o'clock in the morning until sunset."

LESSON SERMON.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hong Kong.

"Life" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, July 19.

The Golden Text was:—"As the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself." (John 5; 26.)

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible:—"When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory." (Coll. 3; 4.)

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—"This is life eternal, saya Jesus,—IS, not SHALL BE; and then he defines everlasting life as a present knowledge of his Father and of himself,—the knowledge of Love, Truth and Life. 'This is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.'" (p. 410.)

The Department of Lands and Forests of the Province of Quebec has prepared a booklet dealing with the forests and forestry resources of the province which are shown to cover an area of 155,577,120 acres or, 556,885 square miles. This is equivalent to 703,638,819 cords of wood, having a total of $1,000,000,000. Land under cultivation in the Province of Quebec is shown to cover an area of 34,000 square miles.

RESEARCH & STUDY OF LEPROSY.

Slow and Discouraging Treatment.

DOCTOR'S WORLD TOUR

An interesting member of the medical profession paid a brief visit to Singapore recently. He was Dr. W. Z. Zumler, A.B., M.D., who had practised his profession at Hamilton, South West Ohio, for over 25 years. Now, at the ripe age of 71 years, Dr. Zumler, hearty and jovial, is travelling round the world, having retired from his practice in 1906 owing to a breakdown in health. Since that time he has been doing research work in connection with leprosy, having visited, in the course of his travels, all those countries where the disease is most prevalent. He has been to Bermuda, the Hawaiian Islands, Samoa, Fiji, the Philippines, and elsewhere, studying the disease and collecting rata which he proposes to use when he reaches his home once more.

In spite of the many years he has devoted to the study of the disease he does not claim to be a leprosy expert, contenting himself with being described as a student of the disease. He left his home town in 1929, and after spending a year in South California, crossed to the Hawaiian Islands. The more he sees of the disease the more he realises how little he knows about it.

Chaulmoogra Oil.

Dr. Zumler considers that chaulmoogra oil, while being the best aid in the treatment of the disease known at the present time, is doing little good in the eradication of leprosy.

The treatment is slow and discouraging, he says, although he acknowledges that it is the best thing available to medical science to-day. The oil gives the tissues of the sufferer greater resisting power, he explained, and added that in Manila the experiment has been tried of adding a little iodine which seems to make it act a little more rapidly.

"I do not believe for a moment that leprosy is as contagious as some other complaints," said Dr. Zumler. He asserts that scarlet fever, smallpox, measles and diphtheria are more contagious. The germ does not live long in the air and it has to get into the warm circulation of the blood in order to live. Consequently there was no contagion unless there were broken places in the skin. The disease was more frequent and more fully developed in hot climates especially in countries where the races are mixed.

It is his opinion that in checking the disease and affecting a cure a change of climate is beneficial while much depends on the patient's mental state. Mental pleasure and proper diet are as important as all known medicines in the cure of leprosy. In other words he believes that nature should be given as much chance as possible.

"I propose to go to London and spend the winter there," said Dr. Zumler, "after which I will go back home across the Atlantic, completing the circuit. I propose to make reports and I will probably write up the cases I have studied, giving my best judgment on the matter."

K.F.C. CONCERT.

Undeterred by Adverse Factors.

"LIGHTS OUT."

In spite of the unsettled weather, a good crowd turned up at the Kowloon Football Club, for the concert which was held on Saturday night. It was a moot point around 9 p.m. at which time the concert was due to commence, as to whether there would be any entertainment, owing to a defect in the wiring system, which put all the lights out of commission.

The trouble was, however, rectified later in the evening, and the waiting audience were amply rewarded for their patience.

An excellent programme included the well known Hawaiian Serenaders, and many well known local artistes.

MAN WHO IS ABOUT TO DIE.

His Offer For Medical Research.

Believing that he is doomed to die within a month or two from distomiasis, a rare disease of the Orient, the Rev. Ralph Thurber, formerly missionary to Koren, has decided to offer himself as a subject of experiment to the medical staff of the Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore.

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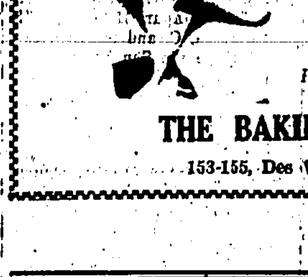

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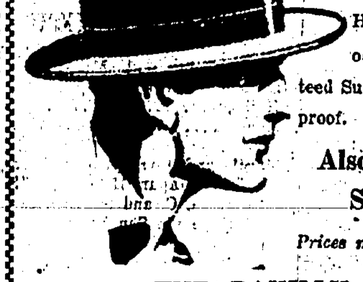

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MONDAY, JULY 20.
Manila ..... President McKinley

TUESDAY, JULY 21.
Straits ..... Cremer
Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (London, July 2) ..... D'Artagnan

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22.
Java ..... Tjikembang

THURSDAY, JULY 23.
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, June 25) and Straits ..... Hakozaki Maru
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., July 4) ..... Empress of Asia

FRIDAY, JULY 24.
Japan ..... Kamo Maru
London (Parcels only, London, June 18) .... Hector

SATURDAY, JULY 25.
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only, London, June 25) and Straits ..... Ho Sang
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Shanghai, June 26) ..... President Polk
Manila ..... President Taft

SUNDAY, JULY 26.
Japan and Shanghai ..... Yasukuni Maru

MONDAY, JULY 27.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, July 3) ..... President Grant

FRIDAY, JULY 31.
Japan & Shanghai ..... Khyber
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, July 11) ..... President Jefferson

OUTWARD MAILS.

MONDAY, JULY 20.

Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	4 p.m.
Hoihow	Borneo	5 p.m.
Amoy	Anking	5 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 21.

Manila and Java via Sourabaya ..	Tjibadak	9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, C. and S. America and *Europe via San Francisco	President McKinley (Due San Francisco, Aug. 11, and *Europe via Siberia.) Parcels ..... July 21, 10 a.m. Registration ..... 12.45 p.m. Letters ..... 1.30 p.m.	
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	D'Artagnan (Due Marseilles, Aug. 22.) Registration July 21, 11.45 a.m. Letters ..... 12.30 p.m.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching ..... 1 p.m.	
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tonkin ..... 1 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, and *Europe via Siberia and Ordinary Letters only for Europe superscribed "Via Siberia: Air Mail Shanghai"—Manchuli	Angers K.P.O. ..... July 21, 1 p.m. G.P.O. ..... 2 p.m.	
Samshui and Wuchow	Kong Ning ..... 4 p.m.	

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22.

Swatow	Chak Sang	8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Diomed (Due Marseilles, Aug. 22.) G.P.O. Registration July 21, 1.45 p.m. Letters ..... 2.30 p.m.	
K.P.O. Registration ... July 21, 1 p.m. Letters ..... 1 p.m.	Tainan	3.30 p.m.
Amoy		

THURSDAY, JULY 23.

Straits and Calcutta	Sui Sang Parcels ..... July 23, Noon Letters ..... 1 p.m.	

FRIDAY, JULY 24.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	2 p.m.
Manila	Empress of Asia ...	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Hakozaki Maru	3.30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 25.

Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Kamo Maru (Due Thursday Island, Aug. 6.) Registration July 25, 3.45 a.m. Letters ..... 9.30 a.m.	
Japan and *Victoria, B.C.	Tyndareus ..... (Due Victoria, B.C., Aug. 18.)	
Mauritius via Saigon & Singapore	Tinhow ..... 1.30 p.m.	
Straits	Antilochus ..... 2.30 p.m.	
Swatow	Hydrangea ..... 3 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., Canada C. & S. America & *Europe via [illegible]	President Taft (Due Victoria, B.C., Aug. 11, and *Europe via Siberia.) Parcels ..... July 25, 3 p.m. Registration [illegible] Letters [illegible]	

*Superscribed—correspondence only.

JUDGE PUZZLED.

Lord Glanely's Fees for Horsebreeding.

APPEAL LOST.

Lord Glanely, the famous racing peer, lost his appeal in the King's Bench Division against the decision that stud fees earned by stallions at his horse-breeding establishment at Newmarket were assessable under Schedule D of the Income Tax Act 1918.

Assessments in the sum of £15,000 for the year ended April 5, 1922, and in sums of £2,000 and £13,000 for the year ended April 5, 1927, formed the subject matter of the dispute.

Sir John Simon, K.C., for Lord Glanely, explained that the stud farm at Newmarket was acquired by Lord Glanely in 1919, and at the end of the 1919 racing season Grand Parade, which won the Derby in that year, was sent there. Other stallions, mares, foals, yearlings and horses in training were kept there and Lord Glanely raced on a fairly large scale.

The accounts of the enterprise for the three years to March 31, showed losses of £19,419, £7,207, and £18,534, though fees were received in respect of the stallions.

Lord Glanely maintained in those circumstances that any profit derived from stallion fees was covered by the assessment under Schedule B on the lands in his occupation. Moreover the fees could not be treated as a separate subject of assessment, but should be treated as part of a composite undertaking of racing and breeding horses.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt, giving judgment, said he thought there were materials in the case which amply justified the Commissioners in having held that there was a separate business in the use of the stallions.

Lord Glanely had stallions and he also had mares.

The stallions produced fees and the mares produced foals which could be sold. Why one was a separate trade and the other was not rather puzzled him.

Mr. Justice Rowlatt said that he could not see how, once the point was reached that the fees were assessable, all the expenses of racing could possibly by brought in to make a whole of the matter.

The appeal would accordingly be dismissed with costs.

GENERAL NOTICES.

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HONG KONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERSHIP.

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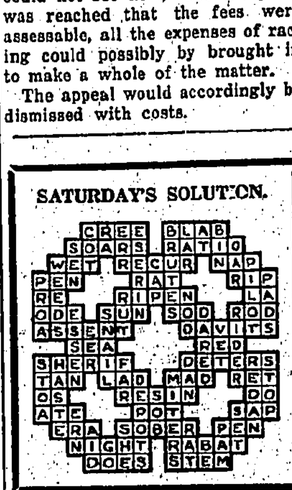
W. E. HOLLANDS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th July, 1931.

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



"PINK DISEASE." EPIDEMIC.

High Mortality Among Infants.

DOCTORS BAFFLED.

A disease which is baffling doctors, and causing deaths among babies on Tyneside, was referred to by Dr. J. Spence at the annual meeting of the Newcastle Babies' Hospital and Mothercraft Centre.

"It is a disease peculiar to infancy, with high mortality, and so far the cause has not yet been discovered," he stated. "Known as 'pink disease,' it appears to be on the increase among the community."

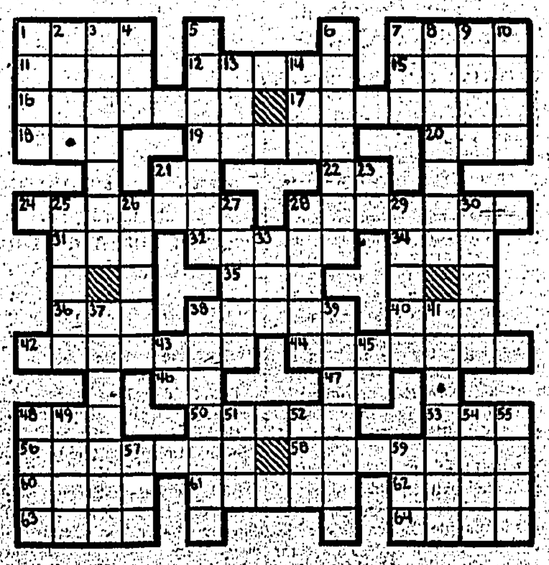
A medical authority described the disease to a Morning Post representative as an "acute disorder of the circulation."

"Nobody knows anything about it," he added. "It is a very rare condition in Britain, and I had not heard of it in epidemic form before, though I believe there has been a certain amount in Germany.

"The hands and feet give rise to a great deal of pain, and as a rule the child dies not from the disease itself, but from want of sleep and general weakness as a result of the pain."

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1—A small bay
7—Native of Scotland
11—To affirm
12—To lift up
13—Short period of time
16—Threatened
17—Assault or attack
18—Sooner than
19—Loud sound
20—A river in Scotland
21—French definite article (Fem.)
22—Negative
24—An incident or action
26—Intrinsic nature of anything
31—A roe (Obsol.)
32—Girl's name
34—A vegetable
35—Performed
36—Definite article
38—To repulse
40—A household pet
42—To wander aimlessly
44—Discussants
46—Freedom
47—A river in BC (tail)
48—Combining form—air
50—A spirit in Shaker [illegible]
52—[illegible]

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
53—Highest note in Guido's scale
56—From head to foot
58—Made smaller toward the end
60—An Egyptian goddess
61—Familiar spring shrub
62—A diminutive suffix
63—Lairs
64—A town in N. France

VERTICAL
1—Approached
2—Above
3—Same as Venice
4—Time-period
5—Explosive shell thrown by hand
6—Bulwark
7—Personal pronoun
8—To forgive
9—A river in Yorkshire, England
10—Greatest of plants
15—Gentle
16—Distress signal at sea

VERTICAL (Cont.)
21—Behold
23—A bone (Latin)
25—To talk idly
28—A number
27—A church official
29—A duck with soft down
29—Excess of the solar year over the lunar year
30—Social class in India
33—To sup
37—A pin for the hair
39—Sells in small quantities
39—Famous French astronomer
41—A province in N. W. Canada
43—Prefix, two
45—Toward
48—Sour
49—Comfort
51—A Brazilian coin
52—Greek long E
54—Mother of Apollo
55—A British seaport of Arabia
57—A jelly-like substance
59—Small child

The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 20th July, 1931.

Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, 28th July, 1931.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nom	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid	
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank .....$	2060	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim $3 at 1/-=$57.60 ...	Pending
Chartered Bank .....£	...	...	...	14½	Dec.	Fin. 7/- bonus 6/3 Subject to 1/Tax making 9/3 for 1930	Mar. —, 31
Mercantile Bk., Aab. £	...	...	...	20	Dec.	Fin. 20/- a/c 1930 less 1/Tax.	Apr. —, 31
,, C. £	...	...	...	12½			
Bank of Asia .....$	128	...	...	...	Dec.	$8 for 1930	Feb 23, 31
Insurances.							
Canton Ins. .....$	...	...	...	1435	Dec.	Fin. $6 bonus $10 for 1929 Interim $12 a/c 1930	May 12, 31
Union Ins. .....$	...	...	...	560	Dec.	Final 16/- for 1929 Interim 24/- a/c 1930	May 29, 31
*China Underwriters...$	5½	6.60	...	...	Dec.	None	...
China Fire Ins. .....$	675	...	...	...	Dec.	Final $9 bonus $6 and $14 for 1929 Interim $3 a/c 1931	May 29, 31
H. K. Fire Ins. .....$	...	...	...	1400	Dec	$30 and bonus $10 making $40 for 1929	Mar. 26, 31
Shipping.							
Douglass .....$	...	...	...	28½	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
H. K. Steamboats ...$	25	...	...	...	Dec.	$1-50 for 1929 None for 1930	Mar. 4, 29
Indo-China (Pref.) ...$	...	...	...	40	Dec.	12/- ea. 2/4 on preferred for 1924 and 1925	June 19, 29
,, (Def.) ...$	...	...	...	30		Last dividend for 1921	...
Shells Bearer .....£/-	...	...	...	48/6	Dec.	Final 10/ Coupon No. 581 free 1/Tax a/c 1930	July —, 31
Union Waterboats ...$	28½	...	...	...	Dec.	$1-50 for 1930	Mar. 31, 31
Mining.							
Bengueta .....$	9½	...	...	...	Dec.	Secd. Int. 20 centavos a/c 1931	June 30, 31
Kailan Mining Ad. £/-	...	30/-	...	...	June	Fin. 4% free 1/Tax Coupon 28 making 9% for year 30-6-30	Dec. 20, 30
Langkats (Single) ...Tls.	...	....	...	4.95	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 31-10-30	May 8, 30
S'hai Exploration...Tls.	...	...	...	2	Dec.	None	...
,, Loans .....Tls.	...	...	...	4½	Dec.	Final T. 0.45 making T. 0.60 for 1930	Feb. 6, 31
*Raubs .....$	35	...	...	...	Mar.	Final 1/- a/c year 31-3-31	July 15, 31
Venezuela Gold Fields $	2½	3	...	...	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & K. Wharves..$	164	...	...	...	Dec.	$9 for 1930	Mar. 19, 31
H. K. & W. Docks...$	...	...	...	29	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
South Ch. Motors ...$	...	...	...	10	...	...	...
*China Providents (old)$	0.10	...	6	...	Dec.	10 cents on old 01½ cents on new for 1930	April 8, 31
,, (new) $	2½	...	...	...			
Hongkews .....Tls.	...	...	...	270	Dec.	Fin. T. 11 mak. T. 14 for 1930	May 4, 31
N. Engineerings ...Tls.	...	...	...	6½	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930	Mar. 4, 31
Shanghai Docks ...Tls.	...	...	...	115	Apr.	T. 6 for year 30-4-31	Pending
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
*H.K. & S. Hls. (old)$	16.20	...	...	...			
,, (new)$	15½	...	...	...	Dec.	50 cents for 1930	Apr. 16, 31
H.K. Lands .....$	...	99½	...	...	Dec.	Final $2 making $4 for 1930 and $1 on new issue	Feb. 10, 31
Shanghai Lands ...Tls.	98.85	...	...	...	Dec.	Final T. 1-4 making T. 2-1 for 1930 on old shares	Mar. 19, 31
Humphreys (old) ...$	19.70	...	...	...			
,, (new) ...$	...	...	...	19.80	Dec.	20 cents for 1930	Feb. 24, 31
H. K. Realties .....$	14½	...	14.80	...	Dec.	Final 20 cents making 50 cents for 1930	Apr. 15, 31
Chinese Estates .....$	98	...	...	...	Feb.	$5 for year 28-2-30	July 21, 30
Cotton Mills.							
*Ewo Cotton .....Tls.	14.15	14½	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.75 for 1930	Mar. 12, 31
Shanghai Cotton...Tls.	...	...	...	90	Apr. and Oct	T. 3-25 for half year 30-4-31	May 27, 31
Zoong Sings .....Tls.	11	...	...	...	June	T. 0-80 for year 30-6-30	Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.							
*H. K. Tramways...$	21.60	...	...	...	Dec.	Final of 40 cents making 80 cents for 1930	Feb. 27, 31
Peak Trams (old) ...$	...	...	...	14	Apr.	$1 ea. on old $2 ea. on new for year 30-4-31	June 15, 31
,, (new) ...$	...	...	...	6.60			
Star Ferries .....$	...	...	...	94½	Dec.	$4 for 1930	Feb. 18, 31
Yaumati Ferries .....$	...	...	...	25½	Dec.	$1.20 for 1930	June 23 31
*China Light .....$	25.80	...	...	...	Sept.	Final 50 cts. a/c yr. 30-6-30	Dec. 15, 30
H. K. Electrics .....$	81½	...	...	...	Dec.	$2.50 for 1930	Mar. 16, 31
Macao ,, ...$	...	...	...	23	Dec.	...	...
Sandakan Lights ....$	...	...	...	42	June	None	...
H.K. Tels. fully paid $	43	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 4 % a/c 1931	Pending
,, part paid $	...	...	...	30½			
China Buses .....Tls.	...	...	...	18.60	Dec.	T. 0.90 for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
S'poreTractions(Ord.)£/-	...	...	...	8/-	Sept.	10½ on preference shares subject to income tax	Feb. 6, 31
,, (Pref.)£/-	...	...	...	19/-			
Industrials.							
China Sugars .....$	...	...	...	.05	...	In Liquidation.	...
Malabon Sugars .....$	...	...	...	39	Dec.	Fin. 4.50 for 1929	Mar. 4, 31
Cald. Macg. Ord....Tls.	...	...	...	14	Dec.	T. 1 T. 0.90 for 1930	Mar. 27, 31
,, Pref....Tls.	...	...	...	10½			
Canton Ices .....$	...	7	...	...	July	None	...
*Cements (com.) .....$	10	10½	...	...			
,, (old) .....$	...	...	...	13½	Dec.	30 cents on old 04 cents on new for 1930	Mar. 18, 31
,, (new) .....$	...	...	...	3			
H. K. Ropes .....$	31½	...	...	...	Dec.	75 cents for 1931	Mar. 27, 31
Stores, &c.							
Dairy Farms .....$	81	...	...	...	Dec.	$1.80 for 1930	Mar. 18, 31
Watsons .....$	...	...	...	16	Oct.	75 cents for year 31-7-30	Mar. 18, 31
Def. A Wings .....$	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Lane Crawford (C.R.)$	...	...	...	8.15	Feb.	Last dividend for year 29-2-28	...
Mackintosh .....$	...	...	...	18	Feb.	$2 for year 28-2-31	Apr. 30, 31
Sincere .....$	...	...	...	14½	...	...	...
Wm. Powells .....$	...	...	...	4	Feb.	20 cents for year 28-2-31	June 17, 31
Sou. Ch. Enterprises...$	...	...	...	13½	...	...	...
Miscellaneous.							
H.K. Amusement (old)$	20½	...	...	...			
,, (new "A")$	...	...	...	23½	Mar.	$2.10 for year 31-3-30	Sept. 27, 30
,, ("B")$	...	...	...	23.30			
Ch. Entertainment ...$	...	...	...	17½	...	...	...
H. K. Constructions...$	12.45	...	12.40	55)	Dec.	30 cents for 1931	Apr. 29, 31
B. Ind. G.$ Bonds ...$	78%	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. K. Govt. Loans...$	4½%	6%	6%	...	...	Interest half yearly	...

*Speculative shares. *Sales to Shanghai.

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Bank, wire	11⅞
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Credits, 4 months' sight	1/- 9/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/- 11/16
On Paris—	
On demand	612½
Credits, 4 months' sight	652½
On Berlin—	
On demand	Nom.
On New York—	
On demand	24
Credits, 60 days' sight	25⅛
On Bombay—	
Wire	66¾
On demand	66¾
On Calcutta—	
Wire	66¾
On demand	66¾
On Singapore—	
On demand	42⅛
On Manila—	
On demand	48½
On Shanghai—	
On demand	Tls. 72
Dollar	7% dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	48½
(Sovereigns (Banks buying rate)	1/- ½
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Copper Cash	Nom.
Copper Cents	8% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	8½% p.a.
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Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1784
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1755
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Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Barbeds) ...	297
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BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND & WELLINGTON via Manila.	Melbourne Maru	Thurs.,	6th Aug.
JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).	Tacoma Maru	Thurs.,	23rd July
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BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Colombo.			
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Rangoon.	Himalaya Maru	Sat.,	1st Aug.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow & Pakhoi (Fortnightly).	Menado Maru	Thurs.,	23rd July
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).			
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Steamer.	Leaves Hong Kong	Arrives Wuchow	Leaves Wuchow	Arrives Hong Kong
TAI HING	MON. 20th	WED. 22nd	THURS. 23rd	FRI. 24th
TAI MING	WED. 22nd	FRI. 24th	SAT. 25th	SUN. 26th
TAI HING	SAT. 25th	MON. 27th	TUES. 28th	WED. 29th
TAI MING	TUES. 28th	THURS. 30th	FRI. 31st	SAT. 1st
TAI HING	FRI. 31st	SUN. 2nd	MON. 3rd	TUES. 4th

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T'tau via S'tow & S'hai	CHAKSANG	Wed.,	22nd July at 10 a.m.
T'tau via S'tow & S'hai	KWONGSANG	Sun.,	26th July at 10 a.m.
T'tau via S'tow & S'hai	HOPSANG	Wed.,	29th July at 10 a.m.
T'tau via S'tow & S'hai	FOOSHING	Sun.,	2nd Aug. at 10 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	SUISANG	Thurs.,	23rd July at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Sat.,	8th Aug. at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	HOSANG	Tues.,	18th Aug. at 3 p.m.
Osaka via Amoy & Kobe	HOSANG	Tues.,	28th July at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai & Kobe	YUENSANG	Wed.,	5th Aug. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy & Kobe	KUMSANG	Wed.,	10th Aug. at 7 a.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Tues.,	28th July at Noon
Sandakan	YUSANG	Tues.,	4th Aug. at Noon
Tientsin via Swatow, Foochow & Chefoo	CHEONGSHING	Tues.,	28th July at 7 a.m.
Tientsin via Swatow, Foochow & Chefoo	CHIPSHING	Sun.,	2nd Aug. at 7 a.m.
Shanghai via Swatow	YATSHING	Tues.,	21st July at 7 a.m.
Shanghai via Swatow	WAISHING	Fri.,	24th July at 10 a.m.

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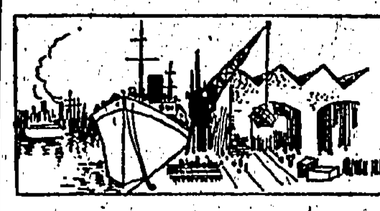

Shipping Intelligence.

WATER LEVELS.

Details for West, North and East Rivers.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River on the dates named:—

	July 16	July 17
West River at Shiuhing	27.7	—
North River at Samshui	16.6	—
North River at Tsingyuen	—	18.9
West River at Sheklung	7.5	7.9

The level at Tsingyuen on the 4th inst. was 20 feet.

The highest levels recorded are:—Shiuhing, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Sheklung, 11.5 feet.

The lowest levels on record are minus 5 feet at Samshui and minus 2.7 feet at Sheklung.

THAMES COLLISION.

Police Boat Helps to Save Escaping Crew.

Eight men aboard a cargo boat had to abandon their ship after it sank after a collision in the River Thames, off Woolwich.

They took to the boats, and were towed to safety by a river police motor-boat.

The two vessels were the Picardy, owned by the General Steam Navigation Co., laden with cargo, and the Catford, belonging to the South Metropolitan Gas Co. The collision occurred near the Royal Dockyard.

The Picardy, which was coming up the river, was holed on the starboard side. She quickly filled with water, and there was only time to manœuvre her inshore before she sank at high tide.

The Catford was damaged at stern and anchored near the scene of the collision.

THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.

Last year over two million people travelled to and from the Continent by the Southern Railway's services, and it is safe to estimate that many thousands more would do so every year if it were not for the deeply rooted English fear of "mal de mer."

Yet a scrutiny of the weather reports for the English Channel during the period May to September last year shows that in spite of the very bad weather generally experienced during the greater part of August and September the total number of days during that period when the sea was "moderate to rough" was only 19, or 12 per cent. of the whole period.

The recent speed at which cross-Channel steamer of the latest comfort have been built has also minimised the discomfort which during rough crossings was connected with the Channel for many years.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Nagasaki on July 19 (Sun.) at 9.30 a.m., left Nagasaki on July 19 (Sun.) at 4 p.m., and is due at Shanghai on July 20 (Mon.) at 4 p.m. She leaves Shanghai for Hong Kong on July 21 (Tues.) at 1 p.m.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Friday, July 17.

Bengal Maru, Japanese str., 3,231 tons, Captain S. Okada, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Kwansai Maru, Japanese str., 4,200 tons, Capt. M. Oyama, from Shanghai, buoy No. A7.—O.S.K.

President Taft, American str., 8,415 tons, Capt. K. A. Ahlin, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—A.M.L.

Saturday, July 18.

Asama Maru, Japanese str., 16,975 tons, Capt. G. Shinomiya, from Los Angeles, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Chinhua, British str., 1,353 tons, Captain E. H. Histed, from Amoy, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Hanyang, British str., 1,206 tons, Capt. C. Harris-Walker, from Canton, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Captain P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Leverkusen, German str., 3,464 tons, Captain Kolher, from Shanghai, buoy No. A10.—Jebsen & Co.

Michael Jebsen, Danish str., 1,343 tons, Capt. H. Ipland, from Hoihow, buoy No. C5.—Chin Seng Hong.

Shantung, British str., 1,668 tons, Capt. J. S. G. Brown, from Canton, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Shinyo Maru, Japanese str., 6,376 tons, Capt. N. Wada, from Manila, buoy No. A2.—N.Y.K.

Solviken, Norwegian str., 1,485 tons, Capt. N. Norvalls, from Swatow, Stonecutters.—Wo Fat Sing.

Suiyang, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. J. M. Byrne, from Swatow, buoy No. B21.—B. & S.

Sungshan Maru, Japanese str., 1,503 tons, Capt. M. Yamamoto, from Canton, buoy No. B24.—N.Y.K.

Tjipanas, Dutch str., 2,775 tons, Captain L. F. J. Van Luyken, from Moji, buoy No. A6.—J.C.J.L.

Tonkin, French str., 905 tons, Capt. J. Bonnamour, from Haiphong, buoy No. C6.—M. M.

Waishing, British str., 1,170 tons, Capt. Hughes, from Canton, buoy No. B2.—J. M. & Co.

Sunday, July 19.—

Borneo Maru, Japanese str., 4,261 tons, Capt. S. Kondow, from Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Moji and Sakito, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Haiching, British str., 1,284 tons, Capt. Ellis Walker, from Foochow via Amoy and Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.

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Ichang, British str., 1,222 tons, Capt. H. A. Settle, from Canton, Stonecutters Anchorage.—B. & S.

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Menado Maru, Japanese str., 1,285 tons, Capt. T. Kawamata, from Haiphong, O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.

Tai Lee, Chinese str., 1,044 tons, Capt. Z. Masaki, from Swatow, buoy No. C4.—Loong Tai Hong.

SALVAGE AWARD.

Curious Case Before the Courts.

The curious case of a steamship which was twice abandoned by the crew as lost was related during hearing of an action by Mr. Justice Langton in the Admiralty Court.

The Greek steamer Theodoris Bulgaris with a cargo of Russian wheat valued at nearly £36,000 encountered bad weather in the Bay of Biscay last September.

The steering gear having broken down and cargo shifted causing the ship to list, signals of distress were made. The next morning the crew of German steamship Livadia saw the derelict ship and put men on board and partly by the aid of a tow rope and partly under own steam the ship was taken to Brest.

The Germans now claim salvage money for salving the ship and were awarded £10,000. In December the Theodoris Bulgaris got into difficulties in the Bay of Biscay and was lost after the crew had been rescued.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—

Bridgewater—North arm.
Caradoc—West wall.
Moorhen—In dock.
Odin—East wall.
Otus—East wall.
Sepoy—South wall.
Serapis—North arm.
Stormcloud—South wall.
Tamar—Basin.

Foreign.

Adamastor—Portuguese cruiser.
Mindanao—American gunboat.
Regulus—French sloop.

STOWAWAY FROM MANILA.

Three Filipinos, Patronilo Salumbibes, Amador Solatario and Julio Vallesteros, pleaded "guilty" at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning to having stowed away on the N.Y.K. steamer s.s. Shinyo Maru from Manila.

A fine of $50 each was imposed or, in default, one month's imprisonment.

HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be *added* to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be *subtracted* from the depths.

July 20 to 26, 1931.

Date	High Water Standard Times	Ht.	Low Water Standard Times	Ht.
July	H. M	F	H. M	F
Mon. 20	01 20	4·6	07 45	3·1
	12 30	4·7	17 34	0·9
Tues 21	02 05	4·6	08 16	3·0
	13 21	5·0	20 10	1·4
Wed. 22	02 44	4·6	08 48	2·8
	14 08	5·1	21 00	1·9
Thurs 23	03 21	5·1	10 03	2·7
	15 50	4·1	21 41	2·5
Fri. 24	04 14	4·8	11 38	3·0
	18 16	5·4	21 21	2·6
Sat. 25	06 12	5·2	2 01	1·3
	20 21	3·5	23 11	3·1
Sun. 26	06 15	6·8	—	—
	21 21	3·8	14 05	0·9

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Empress of Canada	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug. 22	—	Aug. 30
Empress of Russia	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	—	Sept. 14
Empress of Japan	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	—	Sept. 27
Empress of Asia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	—	Oct. 12
Empress of Canada	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	—	Oct. 25
Empress of Russia	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	—	Nov. 9
Empress of Japan	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 12	Nov. 14	—	Nov. 22

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The foregoing excerpt is taken from the Official Report of the Board of Trade Inquiry held into the loss of the motor liner Highland Hope, and it opens up a grave question which has so frequently exercised the minds of masters and officers of passenger ships.

The subject is by no means a new one, says the Nautical Magazine. Long before the loss of the Highland Hope, attention to the gravity of the situation has been drawn, and from what transpired at the recent investigation into the loss of this passenger vessel it would seem that the time has arrived when more stringent measures must be enforced to make life-saving exercise compulsory.

Hirman Element.

Both the Board of Trade and shipowners do their utmost to furnish ships with efficient life-saving equipment, but the human element must contribute its share in promoting efficiency and in knowing how to use it to the best advantage in time of peril. Boats will not lower or fill themselves, and without proper organisation their value as a means of escape from a doomed ship becomes considerably reduced.

The failure of passengers to make themselves acquainted with life-saving equipment is almost criminal, for not only do they jeopardise the safety of their own lives in time of disaster but those of others. The regular passenger realises the danger of neglect, but the casual traveller is entirely bereft of sea-sense.

"Did the catering department not know that boat drill was being held on the vessel at 11 a.m." To this the reply was given that notices were posted in all the cabins and crew spaces. Another question was: Why were refreshments being served at this particular time? "Only 30 passengers took the trouble to attend drill," Captain Jones stated. "It is not easy to get passengers to attend boat drill," he said; "they were all too busy with their whiskies and sodas."

Only One Remedy.

There is only one remedy—compulsion. It should be a condition of granting a ticket to a passenger that both fire and boat drills have to be attended when ordered by the master. A case came to our notice about a year ago where a fire broke out just as dinner was being served. The head steward ordered his men not to bother with the hoses, and discouraged others by his remarks from attending fire and boat stations. But at this time the stewards "carried on," however," as they had to obey alarm signals," they said.

The difficulties of masters and officers are increased when there is no spirit of co-operation between departments. "Whatever you do," they are told, "humour your passengers and be careful not to give offence." So long as everything goes all right in the catering department, little else seems to matter. It would appear that so long as boat drill does not interfere with the culinary arrangements, or bar receipts, all's well, otherwise an atmosphere of disfavour is soon created. It is the wise shipmaster who calls for life-saving exercise when it is the least expected. It is only at such times that a practical test of efficiency can be determined. The combatant services realise this, and for that reason the practice is followed.

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How many passengers take the trouble to fit on their life-jackets, or make a practice of finding out how quickly belts can be fastened properly to their person? The real trouble is that they must not be made apprehensive of danger or discouraged from making another tour. It has been shown by statistics that modern sea travel is the safest in the world. In time of disaster there is no back door of escape, save via the boats, and unless travellers are familiar with the means of exit the advantages offered are reduced considerably.

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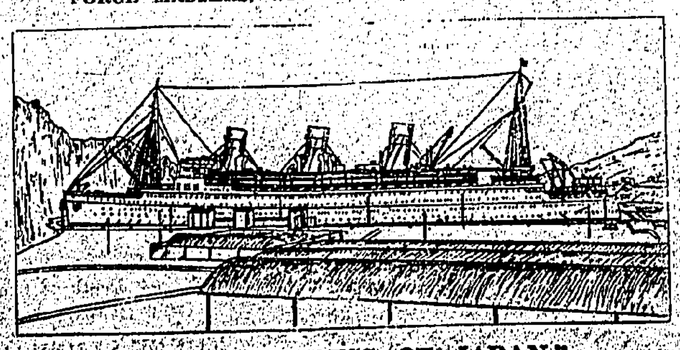

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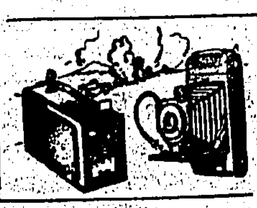

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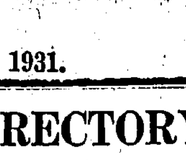

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MEANING OF "GADGET."

Some of the difficulties of finding out the origins of new words which have crept into the English language were described to me by Mr. C. T. Onions, the editor of the new English Dictionary Supplement, writes an Evening News Correspondent.

There is the word "gadget," for instance. "Gadget," early in the 'g's," has only just been reached after something like three years' work. Investigation has shown that it was known in the 'nineties, when it was applied to a barge fitted with steam winches.

"We are always up against such problems," said Mr. Onions, "but I find that there is a ready willingness to help. We are getting a vast body of quotations today. I get a regular batch from a man in Australia, for instance, and there is another man in the Isle of Man who regularly sends to me. Others come from Germany and Denmark. Foreign students are very much interested in the English language.

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"Words from Australia, South Africa, and Canada, besides a large number of words from the U.S.A., we shall have to treat fully. As you know, a great many American phrases have been drafted into our language.

"In the new dictionary we cover the last half century. The dictionary was commenced in the late eighties, and naturally there are omissions. Words could not be included because they were not in existence. A famous example is appendicitis.

"Barracking."

"Then there is 'barracking' which is an interesting word because it comes under the head of Colonial uses.

"There is a tremendous increase in the vocabulary. You have 'wireless,' which is an absolutely new thing since the dictionary was begun, and the new psycho-analysis, with all its terminology.

"Another interesting word is 'googly.' Sport has contributed a number of new words, the origin of which will have to be investigated."

I asked Mr. Onions when his work would be finished. "The compiler of a dictionary is unwise if he thinks he is going to finish by certain dates, nor do we know how long the dictionary will be," was the reply.

CONUNDRUM BIRD.

Or Is It a Fish or a Serpent?

AT REGENT'S PARK ZOO.

The Hoactzin has arrived—two of him—or her—or him and her.

They reached the Zoo at Regent's Park a conglomerate and peculiar arrangement of feathers and beaks and legs and crests, and—smell.

You may like the peculiar perfume of the hoactzin or not as you happen to be a bird enthusiast, a student of evolution, or a lover of rare aromas. They do not manufacture eau de Cologne from hoactzin, anyway. Leave it at that.

The hoactzin (omit the "c" if you don't like the spelling) is the guess-and-guess-again bird.

Tens of thousands of years ago he was even himself guessing who and what he was. He is still guessing; so are the ornithologists. They have put him in a family by himself.

Many learned men consider he is the missing link between the reptile and bird. Professor Huxley, for instance, must have sadly discouraged him. That great scientist put him between the tinamorphæ, the turnicomorphæ on charadriomorphæ, and the pteriseromorphæ, the pterodromophæ or alectoromorphæ. Just there.

It is when he is young that the hoactzin is in most doubt whether he is bird, fish, or reptile. He is born with claws on his wings to climb trees like a lizard, and he also has a fancy for the water like a fish.

When the hoactzin grows up he feels the immortal urge of evolution within him and tries his best to be a bird. He outgrows his wing claws, he tries flying, and actually develops a flutter of a few yards. This helps him to scrabble among the trees and bushes for leaves to eat.

In colour he is bronzy brown. He has bristly eyelashes, and a crest of plume on his head of yellowish feathers. He tries to sing like a bird, but finishes by hissing like a serpent.

He does his best to be both "then" and "now."

CLOTHES — AND THE EX-KAISER.

"Like An Over-Dressed Stockbroker."

AN OUTSPOKEN BOOK.

Autobiographies are sometimes cramped and incomplete because the authors impose upon themselves reservations where the stories of their lives touch those of other people, living and dead.

This restriction is not conspicuous in the personal record of Lady Constance Malleson, a daughter of the fifth Earl Annesley, ("After Ten Years"; Jonathan Cape, Ltd., 7s. 6d.) She deals not only with herself, but with many prominent men and women she has met in the course of an interesting career in downright fashion and entire frankness.

Even her father and mother come in for caustic analysis. Of their marriage "Why my father married my mother God alone knows! I suppose he was lonely—as a widower with two children."

A Great Beauty.

Her mother was a great beauty, and had many admirers. Count Seckendorff was one of them, and Lady Constance writes: "He had been chamberlain to Empress Frederick and, according to gossip (which still persists), the Empress's secret husband. Seckendorff gave my mother most of the jewels he had given the Empress during her lifetime.

"All the world wanted to marry her, or make love to her and she certainly would have liked, if not marriage, an elopement or two—with one or other of her very attractive, often extremely intelligent, admirers. But she never did. The 'Annesley' blood in her was diluted."

Lady Constance met the ex-Kaiser on several occasions, and describes him thus: "I thought he looked like an over-dressed stockbroker."

Wilhelm's Jewels.

She dined with him once on his yacht and gives the following account of the event:—

"At dinner I sat on the Emperor's left—and so came in for his famous pink champagne which is served only to the ladies on his immediate right and left. I couldn't take my eyes off his hands, which were smothered in rings. His watch chain, too, was weighted down with jewels, numberless trinkets of jade and amber, and turquoise—every conceivable oddment of trash.

"The band played loudly all the time. It consisted of forty picked musicians. Conversation was impossible ... He took us out on the gilded sternwalk and stood looking down upon the great golden eagle just below. Striking an imposing attitude, he held forth upon the objectionableness of modern dancing. Behind his back, little Captain Karpf actually winked."

Recollections of "F.E."

Lady Constance met the late Lord Birkenhead during Sir Edward Carson's Ulster campaign. "I have still a very clear recollection of 'F.E.' mounting the stairs to his bedroom at night, balancing a very tall whisky and soda in a perfectly steady hand. He was, in those days, an attractive bronze faced person, with an incisive manner, good figure, and an even better brow. He spoke forcibly, without that sinister-cum-sentimental theatricality which characterised all Sir Edward Carson's public utterances.

"In later years, Irene Hart took upon herself to demonstrate with 'F.E.' on a particularly eccentric project he was contemplating. His reply was very characteristic: 'My dear, I'm "F.E." first, and Lord Chancellor second,' he said.

Mr. Snowden's Smile.

She came to know Bertrand Russell—"B.R.," as she refers to him, figures in many of her pages—Philip Snowden "thin lipped, bitter brave, and with a sullen disarmingly childlike smile," Mrs. Snowden, George Lansbury, "so big and kind and safe," and Josiah Wedgwood, "with his thin, hatchet face deeply tanned and his lean body very taut."

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.			July 8, 1931. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛尾滑	lb.	33	24	12
„ Prime Cut		„	30	28	11
„ Corned	咸牛肉	„	—	28	12
„ Roast	燒牛肉	„	33	24	22
„ Breast	牛腩	„	30	20	18
„ Soup	湯肉	„	27	20	18
„ Steak	牛排	„	33	24	22
„ Steak Sirloin	牛柳腩	„	46	30	35
„ Sausages	牛腸	„	36	26	20
BuHock's Brains	牛腦	per set	17	10	12
„ Tongue, fresh	牛脷	each	75	50	60
„ Tongue, corned	咸牛脷	„	—	60	—
„ Head	牛頭	„	$1.20	—$1.20	
„ Heart	牛心	lb.	24	18	14
„ Hump, Salt	牛肩鞍	„	—	20	18
„ Feet	牛腳	each	12	10	12
„ Kidneys	牛腰	„	15	10	12
„ Tail	牛尾	„	27	20	22
„ Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14
„ Tripe	牛肚	„	8	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭腳	set	$1.50	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊排骨	lb.	44	26	—
„ Leg	羊腿	„	44	26	—
„ Shoulder	羊手	„	40	24	—
„ Saddle	羊鞍肉	„	44	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	豬腸	„	30	27	—
„ Brains	豬腦	Per set	8	—	—
„ Feet	豬腳	lb.	16	15	—
„ Fry	豬什	„	28	15	18
„ Head	豬頭	„	18	20	—
„ Heart	豬心	each	15	10	10
„ Kidneys	豬腰	„	15	10	8
„ Liver	豬肝	lb.	48	30	24
Pork Chop	豬排骨	„	36	25	23
„ Leg	豬腿	„	38	—	—
„ Loin	豬腰	„	44	60	70
„ Fat or Lard	豬腰油	„	26	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	per set	90	60	70
„ Heart	羊心	each	12	8	7
„ Kidneys	羊腰	„	15	12	10
„ Liver	牛肝	„	45	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳豬	lb.	25	25	22
Suet, Beef	牛羊仔油	„	30	20	18
„ Mutton	羊仔油	„	36	26	26
Veal	牛仔肉	„	22	20	20
„ Sausages	牛仔腸	„	28	—	—
„ „ No. 1		„	32	—	—

Fish.			July 8, 1931. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Barbel	鮫頭魚	lb.	52	16	24
Bream		„	34	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish	省城塘魚	„	34	—	—
Carp	鯉魚	„	35	13	16
Catfish	鯰魚	„	40	16	27
Codfish	鱈魚	„	38	12	9
Crabs	蟹	„	46	16	17
Cuttle Fish	魚	„	27	28	26
Dab		„	26	16	27
Dace	黃皚	„	48	23	16
Dog Fish	海狗魚	„	22	10	—
Eels, Conger		„	45	10	8
„ Fresh Water	水	„	44	16	—
„ Yellow		„	42	10	8
Frogs		„	78	26	30
Garoupa		„	85	32	25
Gudgeon		„	30	40	30
Herrings		„	32	22	18
Halibut		„	35	13	23
Labrus		„	40	18	15
Loach		„	76	32	13
Lobsters		„	62	62	24
Mackerel		„	44	32	21
Monk Fish		„	42	20	20
Mullet		„	42	18	2
Oysters		„	36	12	2
Parrot Fish	公主班	„	30	14	9
Perch		„	28	30	15
Pike		„	46	16	9
Plaice		„	46	36	29
Pomfret, White		„	48	36	30
Pomfret, Black		„	38	36	45
Prawns		„	70	10	14
Ray		„	26	10	14
Rock Fish		„	28	13	18
Roach		„	33	22	10
Salmon		„	50	36	30
Shark		„	21	8	10
Skate		„	21	10	10
Shrimps		„	54	33	30
Snapper		„	45	28	28
Soles		„	42	22	28
Tench		„	34	26	35
Turbot		„	34	12	12
Turtles, small, fr. water		„	1.20	40	—

Poultry.			July 8, 1931. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Chicken	雞	lb.	64	30	31
Capons, Small	線雞	„	62	28	30
Capons, Large	肥線雞	„	66	28	30
Duck	鴨	„	45	22	21
Doves	班鳩	each	50	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	33	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	„	36	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	76	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	„	60	35	24
Geese	鵝	„	48	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	40	30	—
„ Hoihow	海口鴿	„	32	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞公	lb.	75	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞	„	60	61	45
Snipe	沙鷸	each	30	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	pair	3.50	—	—
Quail	鶉	each	—	—	—
Partridges	鷓鴣	„	—	—	—

Fruits.			July 8, 1931. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Almonds	杏仁	lb.	35	35	—
Apples (California)	金山蘋果	„	45	26	—
Bananas (bride's)	糜山香蕉	„	16	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	„	—	12	—
Coconuts	椰子	each	14	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	16	25	30
Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	13	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	„	—	—	—
Oranges	橙	„	—	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	„	50	—	—
Peanuts	花生	„	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	„	—	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	„	4	8	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	25	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	40	—	16
Grapes	葡萄子	„	90	—	—

Vegetables, &c.			July 8, 1931. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Artichokes	鴉芝竹	each	12	—	2
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	7	—	7
„ Long	豆鴨	„	12	—	8
Beet Root	紅頭	„	10	—	—
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	„	6	24	—
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	„	6	5	3
„ Red	紅瓜	„	6	5	3
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	„	14	—	—
„ (Shanghai)	鵝菜	„	20	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	蔗	„	8	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大鄉菜花	each	—	—	—
„ (Medium)	中鄉菜花	„	—	—	—
„ (Small)	細鄉菜花	„	—	6	6
Carrots	金笋	lb.	12	5	6
Celery, Chinese	塘奧菜	„	14	10	6
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	„	15	25	5
„ Red	紅辣椒	„	12	10	10
„ Green	青花椒	„	6	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	架厘材料	„	10	8	—
Cucumbers	紅瓜	„	6	2	—
Garlic	蒜頭	„	10	6	6
Ginger, Young	子薑	„	10	7	—
„ Old	薑	„	8	20	—
Horseradish, Shanghai		„	30	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	„	9	45	—
Lettuce	檬生菜	„	12	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	„	10	—	8
„ Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	„	12	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菰	„	45	—	8
Okroes		„	—	1	10
Onions, Bombay	洋蔥頭	„	10	8	8
„ Green	生蔥	„	6	4	6
„ Shanghai	上海葱頭	„	8	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	„	10	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	„	5	3	—
„ Japanese	日本薯仔	„	4	3	—
„ American	金山薯仔	„	—	3	—
Pumpkin	多瓜	„	5	4	4
Radish	紅蘿蔔仔	„	7	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大菜	„	—	—	10
Shallots	干葱頭	„	8	—	8
Spinach	菠菜	„	6	8	—
Tomatoes	番茄	„	15	4	—
Taros	芋頭	„	6	7	—
Turnips, Punti (Long)	蘿蔔	„	6	6	—
Vegetable Marrow	西洋菜	„	6	4	—
Water Cress		„	14	15	—
Water Lily Root	蓮	„	6	15	—

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The total value of retail sales in Canada increased substantially in March, according to the index of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The index, based on January, 1929, as 100, rose to 99 in March from 85.7 in February. The calculation is founded on reports from 35 departmental stores.

Grain deliveries from the Harbour of Montreal this year are running to larger volume than last year, the figure at 10,603,023 bushels on May 11 this year compared with 6,854,490 for the similar period of last year.

WOMAN IN BLACK.

Helps Thief to Escape.

A DRAMATIC PART.

A mystery woman in black played a dramatic part in the escape of an alleged house-breaker at Victoria Park, E.

A man, stated to be between twenty-five and thirty years of age, rang the bell a number of times at the house of Mr. Louis Gardner, in Meynell Crescent, Victoria Park. As there was no reply, he began to force the door.

Mr. Gardner, who was at the back of the house, heard a noise. He crept silently along the hall, and suddenly opened the front door.

The man attacked him and inflicted a nasty wound on his face, but, in spite of his injuries, Mr. Gardner threw his assailant to the ground.

Then the woman appeared on the scene, jumped on Mr. Gardner, and forced him to release his hold on the man. Both fled through an adjacent street and escaped, Mr. Gardner being too exhausted to follow them.

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FATHER'S FIGHT FOR SON.

Puzzle of International Law.

COSTLY LITIGATION.

A British father's fight for his ten-year-old-son, who is now held by the mother in Belgium, has revealed an astonishing problem of international law revolving the British Foreign Office and the High Courts of Justice in Belgium.

This child is the son of Mr. Philip Harris, an Australian living-in-London.—His mother-is-a-Belgian-born woman who married Mr. Harris in Australia, and afterwards went to reside with her husband in Britain.

Some years ago, the mother—without the knowledge or consent of her husband—returned to her parents and took the boy with her. The father since then has been unable to secure the custody of his son.

Judge's Decision.

Action has been taken by Mr. Harris before the Belgian courts.

One judge gave a decision in favour of the father, and ordered the child to be returned to him.

Mrs. Harris lodged an appeal against the decision. Both parties were approached by the judge of the appeal court through their lawyers, and the husband was asked to give his undertaking that he would not bring any action for any matrimonial offence against his wife before a British court.

This he refused to do. The appeal was heard, judgment given went against him, and the child was allowed to remain with the mother.

After that Mr. Harris approached the British Foreign Office. There was correspondence about the boy between Whitehall and the British Minister in Brussels.

"Now I am told," said Mr. Harris to a Daily Express representative "that I have not exhausted all the legal remedies of the Belgian courts which are at my disposal, and that the Foreign Office are therefore unable to make any representations to the Belgian Government in the matter.

"Meanwhile, I am deprived of my son. I want him to be brought up as a British subject not as a Belgian. What can I do?

"Already the litigation has cost me a great deal of money. I am told that I can still pursue the matter before the Belgian courts, and the higher court may order the whole case to be tried again."

"HUSBAND KILLED FOR £60."

Murderer's Allegation Against Woman.

Charles Obato, aged twenty-six, has confessed that Mrs. A. Zubitsky, wife of a "speak-easy" proprietor, paid him and his cousin, Frank Ravina, £60 to murder her husband.

Obato declares that he and his cousin stabbed Zubitsky, and then dismembered his body.

All three have been arrested. The woman denies that she had anything to do with the murder, asserting that her husband left home with £220, and never returned.

The police are inclined to believe the youth's story, as the woman's first husband, Adam Vilentis, was found battered to death in his home. At that time the woman declared that the murder had been committed by bootleggers.

HUNGARIAN HUSBAND POISONERS.

End of Remarkable Case.

TWO WOMEN HANGED.

Budapest, June 17.

The hanging of two women this morning for poisoning their husbands brought to a conclusion one of the most remarkable cases in the history of Hungarian crime.

Instigated by the local midwife, who pointed out how easy and profitable it would be to put an-end-to-their-menfolk, and who supplied or administered the poison, the women of the village of Tiszabug got rid of their husbands, sons and lovers so rapidly that the authorities became suspicious, with the result that 31 women were brought to trial on January 17, 1930.

Some were acquitted, others were sentenced to various terms of imprisonment ranging up to 30 years' hard labour, and in these cases the death sentence was awarded.

WHEN IN POWER!

Baldwin Rides Pet Hobby.

Rugby, Saturday.

The Conservative leader, Mr Stanley Baldwin, in an important political speech held last night, said that if after the General Election his Party were returned to power their first duty would be to impose a general emergency tariff. He declared that subsequently he would set up a permanent Tariff Commission of a non-political nature and on their recommendations tariffs would be made subsequently, subject to the assent of Parliament.—British Wireless Service.

VERY NICE!

Reuter in Sentimental Mood.

Foochow, Saturday.

No ransom has been paid for the release of Lacey Sites.

Details of his rescue furnish a "remarkable example of the value of Christian teaching."

At a recent missionary meeting addressed by Sites the young bandit leader, who was present, indicated his desire to change his mode of life. Subsequently, on hearing of Sites's capture he and a hundred followers scoured the hills for four days. They found Sites, surrounded the house, rescued him, and brought him back to Kutien in a sedan chair!—Reuter.

[A Peking message of July 14 stated: An American missionary, Mr. Lacey Sites, of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, was captured by bandits on July 8 in the Kutien district, north Fukien.]

BOY OF NINE AS PREACHER.

A Middlesborough boy has won fame in a night as a preacher at the age of nine.

He is Jackie Sutton, of Haddon Street, and he thrilled a congregation with a fifteen-minute sermon at the evening service at Woodlands Road Wesleyan Church there. He required no notes, and spoke so fluently that he has been invited to preach again.

Jackie is a bright boy with steady brown eyes. He said:—

"You know there are things we can tell you grown-ups. Abraham Lincoln was a great man because of his home training. His father and mother gave a background to his life."

And Jackie's ambition is to be an engine-driver!

U.S. FLIER'S MISSION IGNORED.

Manufacturers Missing Great Chance.

BRITISH PRESTIGE.

Lieutenant "Al" Williams, America's only active Schneider Trophy pilot, who is in Britain to invite a crack British airman to join an international squadron at the Cleveland air pageant this year, is the centre of a small storm which has broken out in the flying world.

Lieutenant Williams took Flight-Lieutenant Atcherley, the British Schneider Trophy pilot, in his foreign "squadron" which demonstrated at Chicago last year, when the R.A.F. high-speed ace walked off with the honours.

"Atcherley was the hit of America," Lieutenant Williams said to a Daily Express representative. "Let us have another like him!

But there is trouble brewing round this harmless visit of good will. British airmen are complaining that aviation clubs and societies — the official organisations — are doing nothing to help Lieutenant Williams, which in turn will help British flying.

The Royal Aero Club have not invited him to visit them, nor have they even offered the American flier an honorary membership.

A Daily Express representative asked Commander Perrin, secretary of the club, why no welcome had been extended to Lieutenant Williams.

"If he does not come in here," was the reply, "that is his pigeon," which means that the Royal Aero Club are waiting for the American to call, when they will deal with his case.

British manufacturers whom he has invited to send machines to compete in races in America have failed to see Lieutenant Williams' point of view.

"Why should we," they replied, "show our machines for you to copy?"

£3,000 Race.

Lieutenant Williams said that one race alone is worth £3,000.

"Your machines will walk away with it," he said; "and, what's more, we want you to come out of friendly motives—nothing else."

There is a possibility, however, that the Air Ministry will release a service pilot of considerable experience and skill to perform at Cleveland.

But in the meantime Lieutenant Williams is lonely. He has been told that it is useless to apply for permission to watch our Schneider Trophy team in training — even at one hundred yards and on old machines.

He has met no one who will help him create enthusiasm among aircraft firms and pilots for his Cleveland pageant.

"I'm terribly sorry," he said, "because Atcherley made such a fine impression last year, and every one is looking forward to a big British show this year. It is a fine opportunity."

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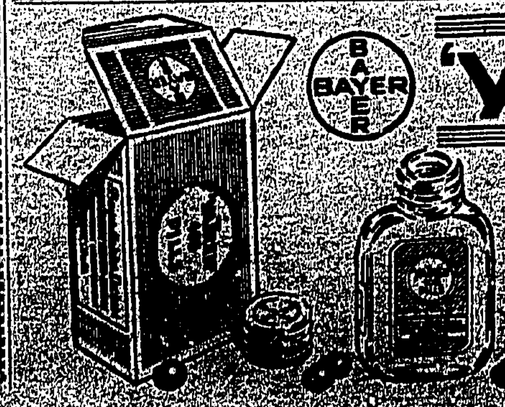

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